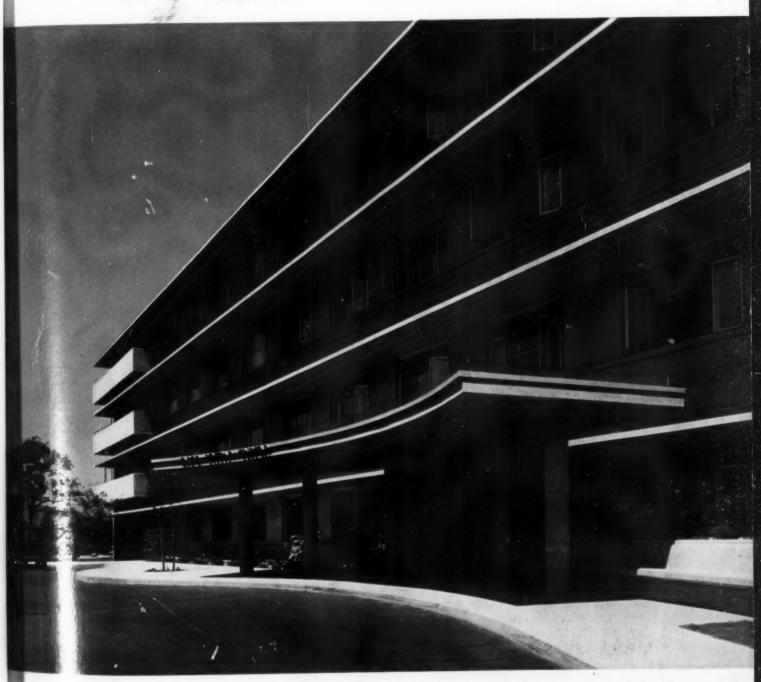
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CENTENNIAL OF ENGINEERING: A.S.C.E. MARKS 100 YEARS

THE CENTENNIAL OF ENGINEERING at Chicago September 3-13 was a bang-up birthday party for the American Society of Civil Engineers and the big climax of the Society's centennial year. Architects can take a special interest in this aspect of the Centennial - first because at its founding in 1852 the first national organization of civilian engineers was actually the American Society of Civil Engineers and Architects; and second, because the American Institute of Architects, founded as a separate organization for architects five years later, will be celebrating its own centennial in 1957.

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The Centennial was also the greatest convocation of engineers the world has ever known. Planned to include all branches of engineering, as they were all once included in A.S.C.E., it attracted nearly 20,000 engineers representing more than 60 societies in this country and 20 foreign nations. It had as one of its major purposes the promotion of public understanding of the engineering profession.

The Centennial program was divided into two parts — the programs and special events arranged by Centennial of Engineering, 1952, Inc.; and the programs of 65 individual engineering societies and organizations that scheduled technical sessions in Chicago during the period of the convocation.

The American Institute of Architects joined the National Association of



A.S.C.E. President Carlton Proctor and A.I.A. President Glenn Stanton at "Re-Union of Architecture and Engineering 1852– 1952," A.I.A. convention exhibit in tribute to A.S.C.E.

Home Builders and the Producers' Council in sponsoring one of these technical sessions — a progress report on modular coordination (see page 26).

Development of the Centennial theme centered on an ambitious program of symposiums on 12 subjects chosen "because of their high significance in the everyday lives of our people and in the industrial development of the country."

Of most direct concern to architects were the addresses at the "Structures and Construction" symposium by John O. Merrill, of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Architects & Engineers; Linton E. Grinter, Dean of the Graduate School and Director of Research at the Uni-

versity of Florida; and Walter C. Voss, head of the Department of Building, Engineering and Construction at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Design and the Needs of Men

Mr. Merrill, who had been asked to discuss the subject "How Man Has Developed Buildings to Serve His Every Need," warned that any assumption that architects and engineers have already reached a final goal fails to take into account either the changing and dynamic nature of man's needs or the rapidity of technological advances in the construction industry.

But Mr. Merrill conceded that even (Continued on page 26)

"Structures and Construction": Walter Voss and Chairman Waldo G. Bowman, editor of Engineering News-Record; Engineer David B. Steinman of New York and Willard Chevalier, McGraw-Hill executive vice president; John O. Merrill







WILLIAM F. LAMB DIES; DESIGNED EMPIRE STATE

WILLIAM FREDERICK LAMB, 68, of the New York architectural firm of Shreve, Lamb and Harmon Associates, died September 9 after a brief illness.

Mr. Lamb, a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects and the National Institute of Arts and Letters, was in charge of design for the Empire State Building; he and his firm became the recipients of the 1931 Gold Medal of the A.I.A. for the design of the tallest building in the world.

Among numerous other New York buildings designed by the firm are the 39-story Bankers Trust Company at 14 Wall Street and Best & Company's new building at Fifth Avenue and Fifty-first Street. The Acacia Mutual Life Insurance Company Building in Washington, D. C., and buildings at Cornell University, Connecticut College for Women, the Kent School and Hunter College in New York are among other works of the firm.

The present firm was founded by Mr. Lamb and R. H. Shreve, who had met while both were members of the firm of Carrère & Hastings. Arthur L. Harmon joined the firm in 1929.

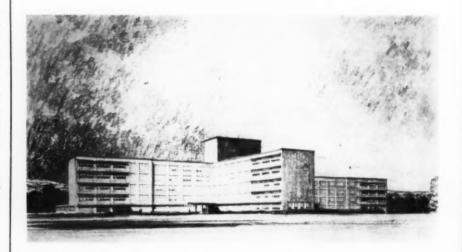
J. G. BELCHER DIES AT 48; ARCHITECTURAL PUBLISHER

JOHN GODDARD BELCHER, vice president and a director of Reinhold Publishing Corporation of New York and publisher of *Progressive Architecture*, died August 30 in a seaplane crash at Boothbay Harbor, Me., where he was on vacation with his family. He was 48 years old.

A 1926 graduate of the University of Illinois, Mr. Belcher joined Reinhold in Chicago in 1937 as a salesman for Pencil Points, predecessor of Progressive Architecture. In 1942 he became midwest advertising manager, with headquarters in Chicago; and in 1943 he went to New York as business manager of The New Pencil Points. He became associate publishing director of Progressive Architecture in 1945 and publishing director in 1947, the same year he was elected to the Reinhold Board of Directors. In 1948 he was made vice president.

Mr. Belcher was active in civic and church affairs in Darien, Conn., where he made his home, and was chairman of the Promotion Committee of the Associated Business Publications.

SEVEN ARMY PROJECTS LAUNCH SERVICES' NEW HOSPITAL BUILDING PROGRAM



Photograph of rendering shows one of two basic designs developed by York & Sawyer for the Army — the 250-bed hospital on 500-bed chassis

A NEW APPROACH to hospital planning for all the military services was revealed with the announcement by the Army of its plans to begin construction early next year on the first of seven new permanent-type hospitals for posts in this country.

The Army program is part of a new effort to coordinate building programs of all three services through an inter-service committee known as the Munitions Board Task Group for Development of Design Requirements and Construction Standards for Military Hospitals.

Designed for Expandability

The basic decision of the Munitions Board Task Group, beyond the goal of coordination, was the principle of expandability. All the hospitals in the new program are designed for easy expansion beyond their initial capacities.

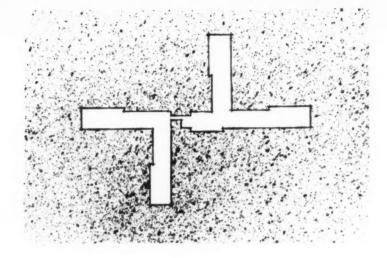
Each of the services was assigned by

the Task Group to develop basic designs for the sizes of hospital it uses most. Thus the Navy got the biggest, the Air Force the smallest and the Army the medium size projects.

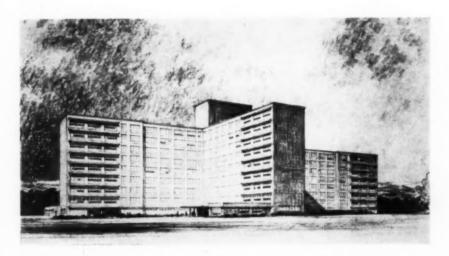
The Navy assignment was an 800-bed unit on a 1500-bed chassis; the Army's 250-beds on a 500-bed chassis and 500 beds on a 1000-bed chassis. The Air Force was assigned three sizes of permanent hospitals — 75 on 150-bed, 100 on 200-bed, and 150 on 300-bed — and three sizes of temporary hospitals — 50 on 100-bed, 75 on 150-bed and 150 on 300-bed.

Private Architects Employed

Private architects and engineers play a key role in the new programs. York & Sawyer of New York have developed the prototype designs for the Army hospitals; an association composed of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, and Hays



Left: sketch shows outline of typical bedroom floor in expansion stage of York & Sawyer 500–1000 bed design; area right of narrow corridor would be constructed in initial stage. Below: plan of typical 34bed ward (top finger in floor sketch)



Larger of prototype hospital designs for the Army by York & Sawyer is 500-bed project expandable to 1000; to be nine stories high

Seay, Mattern, Mattern, Virginia, for the Navy; and Schmidt, Garden and Erickson, Chicago, and Ellerbe & Co., St. Paul, for the Air Force.

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The basic plans establish criteria, space allocations and general layout of the hospitals; the definitive drawings will be adapted to site locations by private architects to be selected.

All the designs will be used interchangeably by the three services as they require hospitals of the various sizes. During the development of the designs, they were studied and criticized at frequent meetings of the Task Group; approval of all the services and of the Armed Forces Medical Policy Council is required on final plans.

The Council also handles the programming end of the effort—selection of sites, construction priorities among the services, etc.

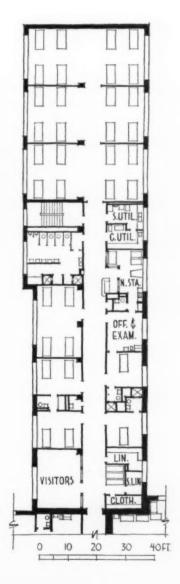
The \$133 million construction pro-

gram authorized by Congress provides \$45 million for eight Army hospitals; \$27 million for three Navy Hospitals; and \$61 million for 24 Air Force hospitals. Navy and Air Force plans are substantially complete and announcement has been awaiting Presidential approval.

Army Announces Sites

Site locations of the Army's seven hospitals were included in the Army announcement, which did not, however, mention the overall program.

The projects, which will add a total of 3200 beds, are planned at the following installations: Fort Benning, Ga., Fort Bragg, N. C., Fort Knox, Ky., and Fort Riley, Kan. — 500 beds expandable to 1000; Fort Belvoir, Va. — 250 beds expandable to 500; Fort Monmouth, N. J. — 200 expandable to 300; Fort Dix, N. J. — 750 expandable to 1000.



CHICAGO 1952: A.I.A. CHAPTER MAKES AWARDS

Architects of the buildings shown on this page received the 1952 Honor Awards of the Chicago Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

The four buildings were selected for the chapter's annual awards from submissions by 16 firms.

A special Award of Honor was given to Edgar Miller, Chicago artist, "for excellence in sculpture, mural painting and wood carving."



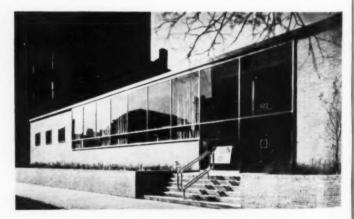
Blythe Park (Elementary) School, Riverside, III., Perkins & Will, Architects-Engineers

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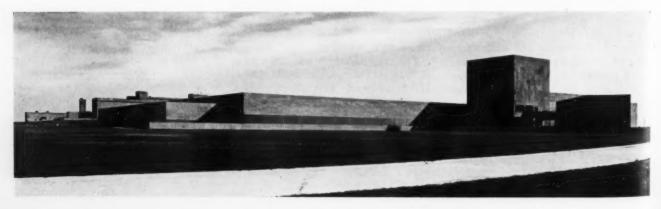


Florsheim Shoe Company General offices and Main Factory, Chicago; Shaw, Metz & Dolio, Architects-Engineers

Illinois Children's Home & Aid Society Administration Building, Chicago; Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Architects-Engineers. A Merit Award in the Fourth Annual National A.I.A. Honor Awards Program was later bestowed on this building



South District Filtration Plant, Chicago; Paul Gerhardt Jr., Architect for the city of Chicago



NEW METHODS DEVELOPED FOR BLAST-RESISTANT DESIGN

Windowless structures, A Study in Blast-Resistant Design," latest in the series of technical manuals issued by the Federal Civil Defense Administration, applies the principle of dynamic analysis to the problem of designing for resistance to atomic blast. It describes a design procedure suitable for a structure that may be subjected to a single, comparatively heavy impulsive load, in contrast to conventional procedures dealing with the application of static loads or of dynamic loads of long duration and frequent occurrence.

The new methods were developed by Amman & Whitney, Consulting Engineers, of New York. They are based on studies of usable theories made for the Chief of the Army Engineers by a board of consultants including Prof. N. W. Newmark of the University of Illinois and Professors John W. Wilbur, Charles H. Norris and Robert J. Hansen of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The manual includes methods of evaluating the forces of an atomic blast, prepared under the direction of C. W. Lampson and J. Meszaros of the Army Ballistic Research Laboratories.

The new methods design a building to survive the blast by yielding, without coming apart. The building goes with the blow, sluggishly, and absorbs it, while the peak of the blast goes past. The building is left somewhat deformed, but otherwise intact. It completely protects occupants and equipment; work can continue.

These methods take advantage of the fact that the pressure of the atomic blast drops to zero in less than a second. It is during that fraction of a second that the blast delivers a blow that makes the ordinary, pre-atomic design loading insignificant.

The theories on which the study is based have been tested experimentally on small-scale models in a shock-tube at Princeton University.

In addition, a few test calculations have been made, using the proposed design methods to analyze elements of bombed Japanese buildings. The behavior of the Japanese buildings under actual atomic blasts checks with the calculated theoretical behavior.

The new principles may have impor-

tant applications in making conventional structures blast-resistant either in whole or in part by the addition of relatively inexpensive design features based on such general principles as these:

 Structures with integrally-connected basements well anchored to the ground are more resistant to sliding and overturning than structures having shallow foundations.

Reinforced-concrete bearing walls and reinforced-concrete partitions rigidly connected to roof and floor increase resistance.

The general stiffness of the building can be increased at very small expense by connections between stiffening walls and the floor and roof, such as corner fillets.

Copies of the manual are available for one dollar from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

Another recent publication of interest in this field is the report of Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology on research done for the Air Materiel Command of the U. S. Air Force. A Simple Method for Evaluating Blast Effects on Buildings can be obtained from AMC headquarters, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

Some of the earlier FCDA publications, available from Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.:

United States Civil Defense (1950), 168 pp. — 25 cents. The national plan for organizing the civil defense of the United States.

The Effects of Atomic Weapons (1950), 456 pp. — \$1.25.

Damage from Atomic Explosions and Design of Protective Structures (1950), 32 pp. — 15 cents.

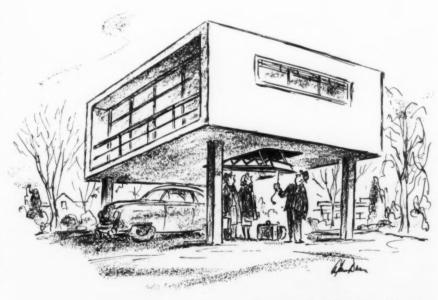
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Publications by the American Institute of Architects, available from Publications Order Department, The A.I.A., 1741 New York Avenue N.W., Washington 6, D. C., at 25 cents each:

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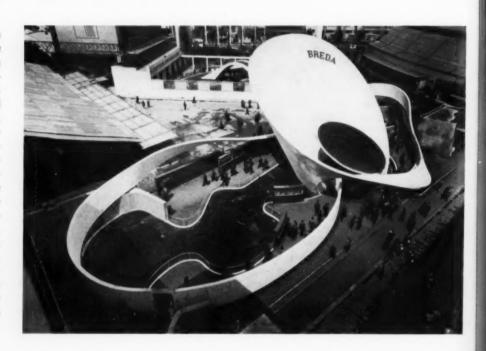
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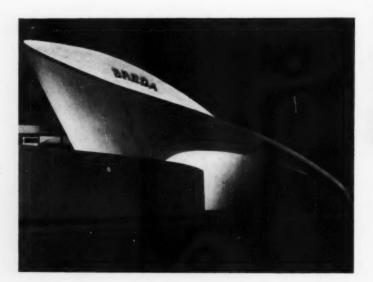
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DESIGN FOR INDUSTRY: ARCHITECTURE AS SCULPTURE

THE STEEL AND PLASTER construction shown here was the official exhibit at the 1952 Milan World's Fair of La Breda Company, a 55-year-old Italian industrial concern which was reorganized last year into eight companies coordinated by a holding company. "Yesterday one, today unitary" was the theme the concern asked Architects Luciano Baldessari and his collaborator Marcello Grisotti to express in a structure that became a sort of fantastic hyperbole of the traditional "booth" (no samples!). Some 50 tons of steel frame were covered with cross wires and plaster; the cochlea, reaching a height of more than 50 ft with a maximum overhang of about 25 ft, was supported by 40 steel ribs; the "ribbon" was achieved by means of four 35 mm steel reinforcing bars along the four edges of the perimeter and fixed in place by stiff metal diaphragms.









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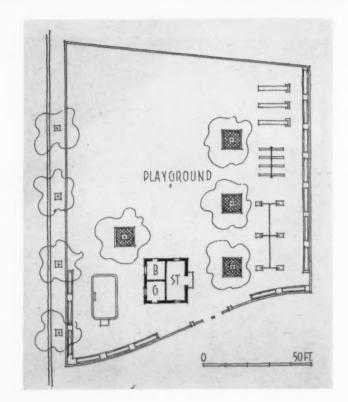
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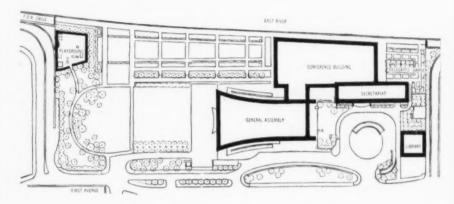
APPROVE FINAL PLAN FOR DISPUTED U.N. PLAYGROUND

Plans for the playground to be constructed as a part of the site development for United Nations Headquarters have been approved by the Headquarters Planning Office. Construction is to start when the site has been cleared and safe access has been provided, according to Assistant Planning Director Michael M. Harris.

The playground is intended primarily for use by neighborhood children, although it will probably also be used by children accompanying visitors to the U.N. Designed by Gilmore Clarke, who has done many projects for the New York Department of Parks and who will also be in charge of landscaping for the entire U.N. site, the project will be a variation of the standard type of playground for New York parks.

Announcement of acceptance of the Clarke scheme is the latest, but perhaps not the final episode in what has been one of the most spirited of the controversies concerning the U.N.'s permanent home. The dispute began when a group of New Yorkers offered to donate \$75,000 for the construction on the U.N. site of a playground scheme designed by architect Julian Whittlesey and sculptor Isamu Noguchi. This scheme was re
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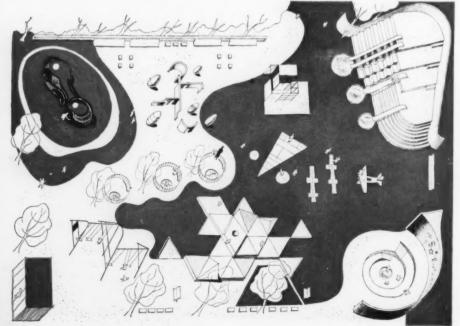


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Arena and Spray Pool

Top: accepted playground plan by Gilmore Clarke is variation of standard New York playground, will be paved with asphaltic concrete. Center: diagram shows location of playground in relation to principal U.N. buildings. Left: rejected scheme by Whittlesey and Noguchi. Designers emphasize that this is a collection of ideas for a playground rather than an actual solution for a specific problem



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by his own criteria for the "complete building" of "functional workability and beauty" there is evidence today of a good deal of progress in the design of such buildings as factories, stores, schools and shopping centers.

In the area of community planning Mr. Merrill saw a "major challenge to architects and engineers everywhere. We cannot be satisfied with the quality of our all-too-few new buildings when the majority of our people are forced to live in antiquated structures which have long outlived their usefulness."

Dean Grinter traced the evolution of structural design from the realm of art to the realm of science through the gradual development of methods of analysis, experimentation and — finally — standardization.

These are the tools of science which have produced a fabulous contrast: "The ancient world during three or four millenia produced a few hundred structures that kindle our imagination. We have produced thousands of equally astonishing structures in a generation."

Dean Grinter foresaw an ever increasing influence of analysis and experimentation upon design — in the next century, he suggested, three-dimensional stress analysis may well be as common as analysis of two-dimensional shapes or assemblages is today.

But design has "other faces" — social and economic considerations, esthetic and functional aspects; and "design will therefore always require the exercise of highly developed judgment which is an application of art tempered and guided by scientific knowledge."

Atomic power, plastics, prestressed concrete, heating and ventilating and architectural design: these, according to Professor Voss, are the fields to watch for major developments affecting building materials and methods.

Some of the possibilities: prestressed concrete made of low-cost blocks assembled at ground level and prestressed to fabricate larger units — for walls, beams and slabs; exterior walls of buildings as massive heating or ventilating ducts with apparatus concentrated in basement and roof areas; air conditioning equipment no longer custom-built for each building but made in movable units provided with strategically-located wall shafts and used only when necessary; growing use of morable partitions and design for multiple usage.





A.S.A. panel on "A New Approach to Cost Reduction in the Building Industry" above: William F. Scheick, William S. Kinne; below: F. M. Hauserman, Arthur Bohnen. Willard Chevalier of McGraw-Hill served as moderator





MORE KNOWLEDGE SEEN AS KEY TO MODULAR ACCEPTANCE

What's Needed to speed the progress of the modular method is more knowledge about modular coordination in every segment of the building industry, from drafting board to building site.

This was the consensus of the speakers on the panel discussion sponsored jointly by the American Institute of Architects, the National Association of Home Builders and the Producers' Council at one session of the Third National Standardization Conference of the American Standards Association at Chicago September 8.

Members of the panel, a building materials manufacturer, two architects and a house builder, also agreed that experience has proved the modular method can yield significant savings in time and money for any member of the building team who will use it, though savings will certainly be greatest if everybody

connected with a given project uses it.

William F. Scheick, A.I.A., executive director of the Building Research Advisory Board, urged that an effort be made to collect evidence of successful applications of modular as proof of its value for members of the industry who have been reluctant to try it.

William S. Kinne Jr., professor of architecture at the University of Illinois, described the method used to present modular to students not as a separate subject but as one of their tools in design. F. M. Hauserman, president of the Producers' Council and of E. F. Hauserman Company, and Arthur Bohnen of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, testified to their own experiences with the economies of modular and their belief, in its potential for the industry.



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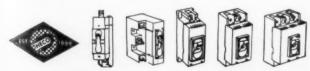
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NEWS FROM CANADA by John Caulfield Smith

Prestressed Concrete Used For Municipal Grandstand

A LINEAL PRESTRESSED CONCRETE grandstand believed to be the first of its kind in North America is under construction as a civic project at Sherbrooke, Que. Cost is estimated at \$255,000.

Frames of the grandstand are precast, as are bleacher seats and roof slabs. Both seats and slabs are produced at Cap St. Martin, Que., then shipped to Sherbrooke.

Architects are Audet, Tremblay & Audet; consulting engineers are Crepeau, Cote & Lemieux. Both are Sherbrooke firms.

Make Awards Next Month in Second Massey Competition

The second nationwide competition for the Massey Medals for Architecture will end next month with announcement of the winners at the opening of the exhibition of entries in the National Gallery in Ottawa. Closing date for receipt of entry forms is October 6.

The initial competition sponsored by the Massey Foundation to encourage national recognition of architectural distinction and to stimulate public interest in architecture was held in 1950. It was announced then competitions would be held every two or three years.

The three-man jury has been chosen according to a ruling that two members must be Canadian architects, the third a nonresident architect. John B. Parkin of Toronto and John A. Russell, director of the School of Architecture of the University of Manitoba, are the Canadians; Pietro Belluschi, dean of architecture and planning at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is the non-resident.

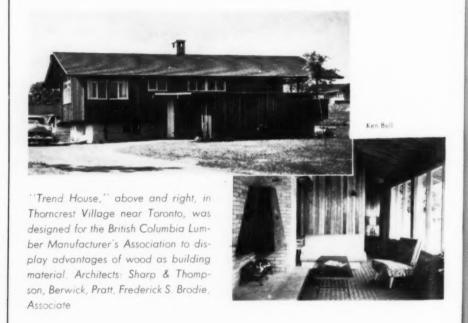
Silver medals will be awarded to the architect or firm whose work is considered most distinguished in each of 15 categories; a gold medal will be presented for the work found outstanding among all the entries.

In line with the effort to have the competition serve to educate the lay public to the architect's service, the winning entries and some others will be sent on a nationwide tour. Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey, C. H., Governor General of Canada, will be present to open the exhibit November 21.

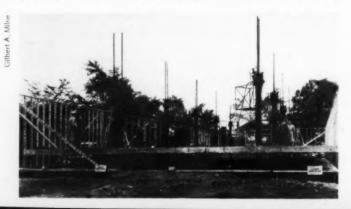
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Above: Drive-In Bank, North York, Ont., is part of suburban Toronto's Craig Plaza Shopping Development Architects, Venchiarutti & Venchiarutti



Below: first application in eastern Canada of the Youtz-Slick lift-slab technique was employed in plant for Isotope Products, Ltd., Oakville, Ont. Architects for the project were Crawford & Hassig



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Portable Units Help Solve Schoolroom Shortage

To solve pressing classroom shortages due to shifts in population, school systems in many communities are turning to portable classrooms as a quick and economical solution. In Tacoma, Washington, 60 are used by the city's schools. Thirty-five are of lightweight plywood construction; ten were built last year by E. Goettling & Sons, general contractors, from revised designs by Mock and Morrison, architects.



"We've been using plywood for four years," says James Hopkins, assistant superintendent of schools in charge of construction. The portable schoolrooms are fully as well built as the average house and we expect them to be good for 50 years. Plywood construction is lighter and gives maximum bracing strength—a must in movable buildings."

Each building is 24'x36'. Plywood is used for subfloors, roof sheathing, paneling, built-ins and exterior siding. Modular design, based on standard plywood panels, helps speed work and cut costs. Plywood not only makes a sounder, tighter building, but it presents a clean, modern appearance—a far cry from the unpleasant "temporary look" of other similar structures.

Design Portfolio Available

A portfolio of prize-winning designs for plywood built-ins is now available to architects, designers and builders. The buoklet contains over 50 designs judged best in the "Better Living Home" architectural contest. For free copy write Douglas Fir Plywood Association, Tacoma 2, Wash.



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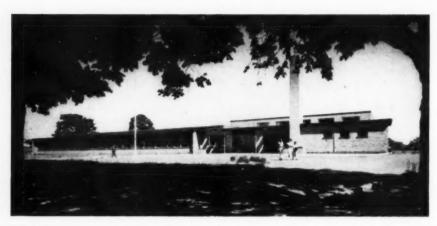
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August Contract Awards Off, But Housing Shows Increase

Total value of construction contract awards for August was \$175.7 million, \$11.8 million below the figure for the same month last year. The residential



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category was the only one to reflect an increase; at \$41.3 million it was 6.1 per cent over the August 1951 level.

The cumulative eight-months total as reported by MacLean Building Reports Ltd. also shows a decrease—\$472.8 million. The eight-months figure for 1952 was \$1219.9 million.

Engineering Students Honored For Papers on Construction

Leonidas Zariff, a recent honor graduate in civil engineering at McGill University, has received the top award in this year's Canadian Construction Association competition for the best thesis on construction subjects prepared by senior engineering students at Canadian universities.

The subject of Mr. Zariff's thesis was the Peribonka Cableway, a specialized heavy-duty cableway set up at a cost of \$500,000 to speed construction of a hydroelectric power development at Chute du Diable on the Peribonka River in Quebec's Lake St. John area.

Purpose of the Association's competition is to stimulate interest among engineering students on construction problems in the hope of developing new techniques.

In addition to Mr. Zariff's prize of \$150 and an engineer's handbook awards of \$50 each and books were made to the following students:

R. A. MacDonald, University of British Columbia — The Erection of the Salmon River Bridge; J. M. Crook and O. K. C. Mang, University of Sakatchewan — Prevention of Frost Heave in Curling Rinks; J. H. Dick and W. A. Johnson, University of Manitoba Investigation of Ground Movement;

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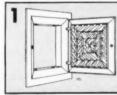
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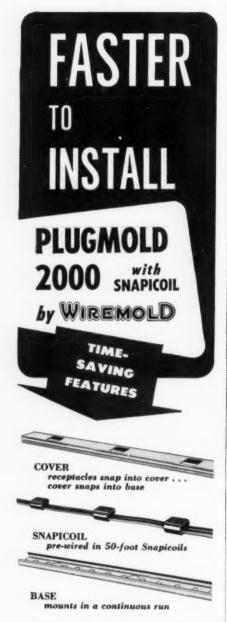
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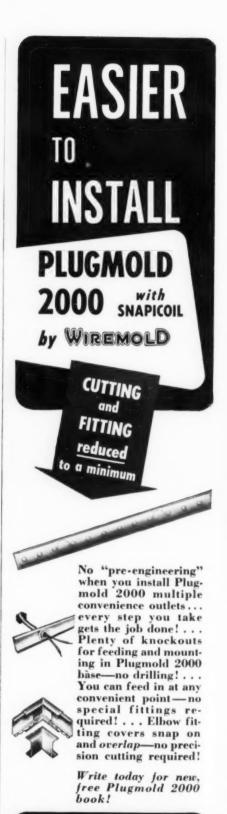
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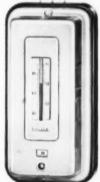
- Ramsay Traquair, emeritus professor of architecture of McGill University, died in the Memorial Red Cross Hospital at Guysborough, Nova Scotia, an institution he had a large share in creating after his retirement in 1939.
 Professor Traquair had been known for archaeological and antiquarian as well as architectural interests.
- Seven massive metal doors, Canada's gift to the United Nations, are being installed in the main entrance to the new General Assembly Building at UN head-quarters in New York. The doors are simple in design, made of an untarnishable alloy with four glass panels set horizontally in each door. Beside each panel is a plaque incorporating figures symbolizing truth, peace, justice and fraternity. Ernest Cormier, Montreal architect, designed the doors.
- Construction workers are averaging 21 per cent better pay this year than last, according to Bureau of Statistics reports. On June 1 they were getting 142.3 cents an hour compared with 125.9 cents on the same date last year. Weekly wages of construction workers averaged \$58.91 as of June 1, compared with \$53.70 for factory workers.
- The interest rate under the National Housing Act is 5½ per cent on new joint loans approved as from September 1. The previous rate, established in June 1951, was five per cent.

Interest rates on new loans of other types under the Act are also being in-(Continued on page 36)



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creased by one quarter of one per cent. This increase, according to Minister of Resources and Development Robert II. Winters, reflects the upward movement in the general interest rate structure.

Provision is made in the Act for the interest rate on new loans to fluctuate in accordance with changes in the interest yield on long-term Government bonds; there has been an increase in such interest of about one half of one per cent during the past year.

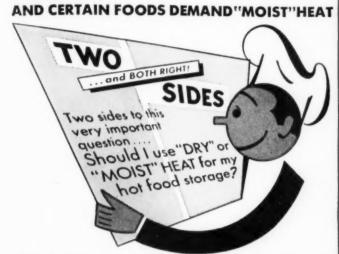
Doubt that current training and immigration programs for construction workers are sufficient to look after Canada's needs was expressed in a recent address by P. G. Wilmut, president of the Canadian Construction Association, before the Builders' Exchange at Kingston, Ont.

Calling on contractors to provide employment opportunities for apprentices in greater numbers, Mr. Wilmut stressed that apprenticeship programs pay off.



Dr. E. G. Faludi, managing director of Town Planning Consultants Ltd., has been appointed planning consultant by the Oakville-Trafalgar (Ont.) Planning Board Ford of Canada Ltd. is building a giant industrial plant in Trafalgar Township on the outskirts of Oakville, and more new manufacturing concerns and a population increase of upwards of 20,000 are expected to create planning problems for an area which has been till now largely rural

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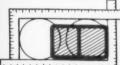
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FRANK CREEDON NAMED TO HEAD MILITARY BUILDING

Frank R. Creedon, who has been director of the Facilities and Construction Bureau of the National Production Authority, has been named to the newly-created post of director of installations for the Department of Defense.

PROJECTS APPROVED UNDER THE HILL-BURTON HOSPITAL PROGRAM

Fiscal Year		Estimo	ted Cost	Additions		
	No. of Projects	Total Cost	Federal Share	Hospital Beds—Healt	Centers	
1948	450	\$283,511,131	\$ 74,782,018	25,541	51	
1949	367	275,841,588	74,929,305	18,024	48	
1950	537	442,919,409	149,918,909	26,931	85	
1951	266	239,617,921	84,874,002	12,200	50	
1952	215	185,670,061	73,488,523	9,898	57	



The latest consolidated summary prepared by the Division of Hospital Facilities of the U. S. Public Health Service, the agency within the Federal Security Agency which administers Federal construction funds under the Hill-Burton program, reports the picture as of July 31 as shown in table above

The office was established in an amendment to the 1952 military public works authorization bill to provide a civilian construction expert to "maintain direct surveillance over the planning and construction by the military departments of all public works projects."

Mr. Creedon, who will have a small staff with construction experience, will report directly to the Secretary of Defense on status, progress and cost of all military public works projects.

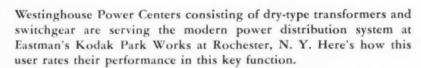
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Regulation X Suspended; Commercial Curbs Ended

Suspension of Regulation x, the twoyear-old curb on housing credit, and full suspension of Federal Reserve Board restrictions on commercial construction loans, became effective September 16.

As the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported seasonally-adjusted housing starts in August fell below the 1.2 million figure for the third successive month, Housing and Home Finance Agency announced down payments on home loans aided or made by the Federal government would revert to the original statutory limitations; and the Federal Reserve Board announced suspension of Regulation X on conventional residential credit as well as full suspension of any restrictions on conventional lending on real estate.

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REQUIRED READING

MODERN ARCHITECTURE IN MEXICO



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Above: church in Monterey — Enrique de la Mora, architect; Herbert Hofman, sculptor. Top right: house — Victor de la Lama, architect. Right: Mexico City office building — Juan Sordo Madaleno & Augusto H. Alvarez, architects





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Mexico's Modern Architecture. By 1. E. Myers in cooperation with The National Institute of Fine Arts of Mexico. Architectural Book Publishing Co., Inc. (112 W. 46th St., New York 36, N. Y.) 1952. 8½ by 10½ in. 264 pp., illus.

The vitality and quality of the work being done by contemporary architects in Mexico is well evidenced in this book. For readers who have never been to the country, and whose only previous knowledge of its modern buildings has come through earlier books, such as Esther Born's 1937 survey, both the quality and the quantity of the buildings shown here will perhaps come as a revelation. In the space of little more than 25 years, since the first buildings that could in any sense be called modern were built. Mexico seems to have evolved a body of architecture which on the whole invites comparison with contemporary building anywhere, including its more publicized neighbors to the south.

The idiom of modern building in Mexico may be largely traced to the International Style of the 1920's. In this, of course, it resembles much of the work done not only on the European continent, but also in the United States,

Great Britain or, for that matter, Hong Kong. In most of these structures the devices associated with this source predominate; widespread use of materials such as concrete and glazed tile for exteriors, large expanses of glass, clean unbroken lines and flat surfaces, a machine-like quality of precise formality and an avoidance of clutter which amounts almost to bareness. In these contemporary Mexican houses, offices, hospitals and schools, as in their siblings over the world, there is reflected everywhere the theories and practices of architects such as Le Corbusier, Mies, Gropius and Neutra. None of this is to say that the work being done in Mexico is in any way derivative or mere copybook modernism. Although the standard elements are all employed, they are carefully thought out and imaginatively applied. Native and natural materials help give them a flavor which is somewhat distinct, if not unique. And, most important, the majority of the buildings pictured in this book show a boldness and directness which is admirable. In the very scope of some of the projects shown, such as the President Miguel Aleman Multiple Dwellings, the Benito Juarez Dwellings and the giant University City project, it has given the United States a model to aim for.

As a pictorial catalog of these buildings, Mr. Myers' book serves a useful function and will be a welcome addition to the architect's or student's library. The illustrations are, for the most part, large and clear and are seemingly wellchosen. With the plans it is a different matter. No attempt at standardization has been made, and, while this is by no means an absolute necessity, some of them tend to be a little confusing. It seems to me, too, that the value of the book would have been enhanced if a more convenient and complete identification of each building had been furnished, including dates and - at least in the case of private houses, apartments and commercial buildings street locations. As it is, a certain amount of confusion exists, particularly when similar houses follow each other in the presentation.

More serious exceptions can be taken to some aspects of the textual material.

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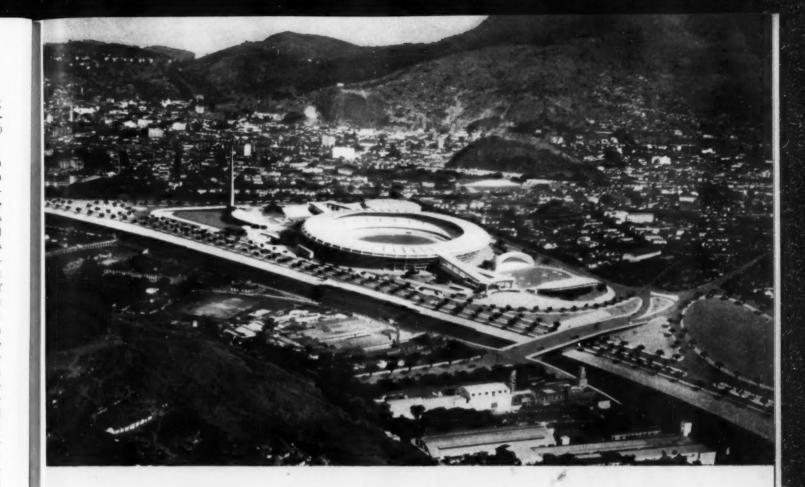
As is sometimes the case with such books, the organization often seems a little choppy. This is accentuated because little effort is made to tie the pictorial matter and the textual sections together. Mr. Myers' historical and sociological sketches are adequate as far as they go, but often seem too incomplete to be as valuable as they might have been. This is particularly true of his chapter on the modern movement itself, which just skims the surface. A fuller history than the author's is given in the foreword to the book by Enrique Yanez. Mr. Myers refers to pioneer buildings by Jose Villegran Garcia, Juan O'Gorman and others, but nowhere are these structures pictured. Only later works by these architects have found their way into the book. It is true that Mr. Myers has intended neither a sociological nor a historical work, but a book about modern building in Mexico must furnish a minimum of historical material — both textual and pictorial if it is to be comprehensible, and the material offered here seems to me to be below that expected minimum. Space limitations alone cannot be argued as a complete extenuation of the omissions since Mr. Myers has found space for generalizations on the nature of architecture (sometimes, but not always, a little platitudinous) and other subsidiary comments which are not particularly integral to the sort of book he has written.

The book is printed in both Spanish and English, and this is certainly in itself to be commended. However, the Spanish text is printed completely in italics, and even though it is comparatively short, reading is made a little difficult. The limiting of descriptions of the individual buildings to English only is questionable.

Despite these shortcomings, it is good to have a work such as this available to supplement earlier material. It deserves and will probably find a ready audience; and in so doing, it will perform a valuable service both for the reader and for the leaders in Mexico's architectural revival.

A BACKGROUND FOR STRUCTURAL DESIGN

Structure in Building, By W. Fisher Cassic and J. H. Napper, The Architectural Press (Continued on page 400)



RIO SPORTS CENTER: A PROGRESS REPORT

Raphael Galvão, Pedro Paulo Bastos, Antonio Dias Carneiro,

Orlando Azevedo, Architects

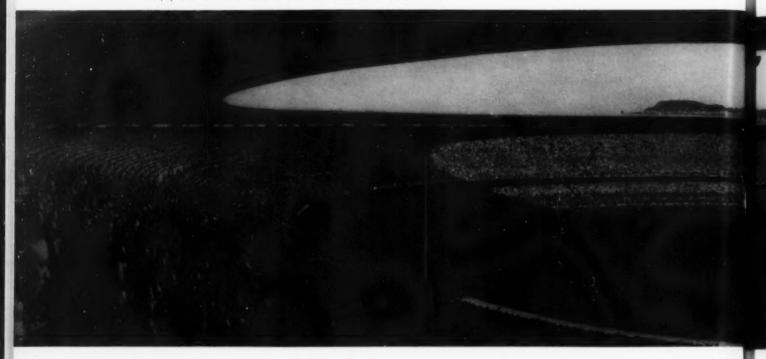
This monumental project for a sports center in the heart of Rio enters the second stage of construction with the completion of its enormous 150,000-person capacity stadium, and the beginning of foundation work for the second largest unit, an enclosed gymnasium which will hold 35,000 people.

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

* First presented in the August 1949 issue of Archi-Tectural Record, the project has been underway since early 1948. When entirely completed, the center will also include a swimming pool, tennis and basketball courts, a velodrome, a rifle range, a music shell, a track field and a children's playground.

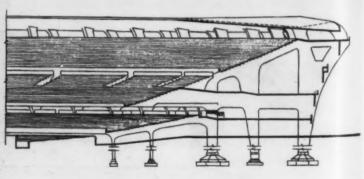
The original scheme for the Sports Center is being closely followed: the huge central stadium is now completed and in use, construction has begun on the gymnasium (right in photo below)

The careful calculations which went into the planning of the stadium have more than proved themselves, now that the structure is in use. Good visibility is provided for each of the 150,000 spectators, ramps are wide enough to empty stadium in 15 minutes. The roof is cantilevered over 98 ft





This first unit of what will eventually be a very complete sports center might be noted, aside from the fact that it has proved to be quite comfortable and convenient, for the lean, pared-down design of its reinforced concrete structure. The countless studies which preceded its construction led to a reliance on proportions



The circular stadium will form the dominating central element of the sports center. Other units will have simple plastic forms suited to their uses. Stadium section (above, right) shows use of several levels for horizontal circulation and for convenient placement of concessions, toilets, athletes' lockers and sleeping quarters, administration and other facilities



and the repetitive value of the supports to produce a light, elegant, almost festive quality well suited to its purpose. The same approach is being used in the design of each of the projected units, along with studies of their relationships to each other. The project will be completed by Galvão, Bastos and Azevedo, due to the

recent untimely death of Antonio Dias Carneiro, one of the original team of architects.

Structural design for the stadium was the responsibility of Paulo Fragoso, Noronha, Baungart, and Costa, Engineers. Engineering for the remaining structures will be done by the architects.

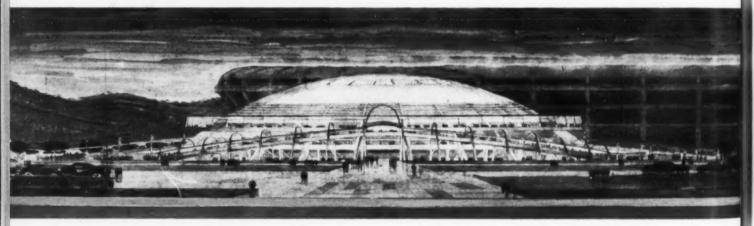


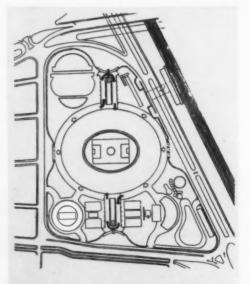
The stadium is 23 meters high 175.5 ft). Its enormous size is quickly apparent when contrasted with the other buildings in the photo at right



Gymnasium for 35,000 Spectators, Second Largest Unit of Sports Center, Is Under Construction

Although seemingly small by contrast with the enormous stadium it adjoins, the gymnasium for the sports center is actually of considerable size and presented most of the same problems as its big neighbor. Preliminary studies were made using the same structural shapes as the stadium, but as its roof is nearly as high as the stadium - 21 meters (68.3 ft) - it was felt that big and little versions of the same scheme would appear distorted placed side by side. The final design harmonizes well with the stadium, but maintains a



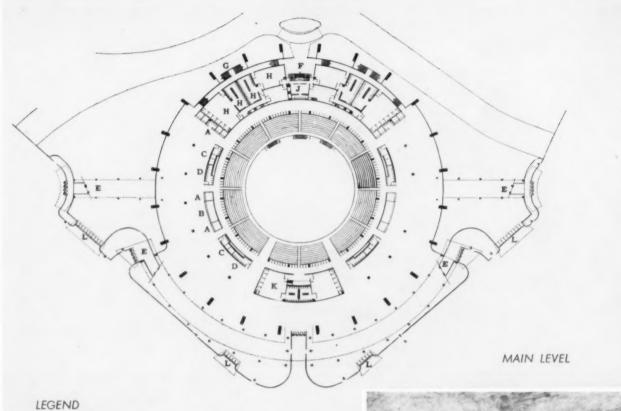


Above: plan of complete center. Track field, band shell, rifle range are at top, ball courts, pool, velodrome below

vigorous individuality of its own. The light sectional dome is balanced on arched ribs and encircled by horizontal passageways and ramps. The latter have a maximum slope of 10 per cent and are supported by thin arches. The entire structure is of reinforced concrete. A heavy monolithic effect was avoided by piercing the dome with utilitarian louvers for natural ventilation, and with glass inserts for daylighting. There is no heating system, or any forced ventilation except for locker rooms and toilets - all of which also have direct

light and ventilation.

Provisions for the 35,000 spectators are divided into categories, each with separate entrances. Facilities for athletes and performers are at a lower level, completely apart from those of the spectators. Dressing rooms are connected by subterranean passages to the arena. The main level of the gymnasium is allotted to 114 boxes. with seats for 684, and 4450 reserved seats. A mez/anine has a special section and reception rooms for honor guests. The second level has unreserved benches for 21,220; the third has standing room for 8529.



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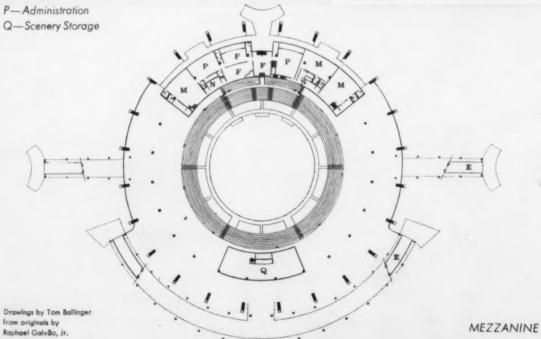
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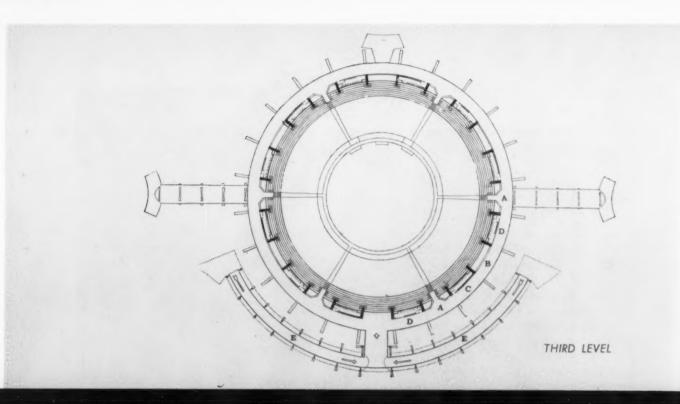
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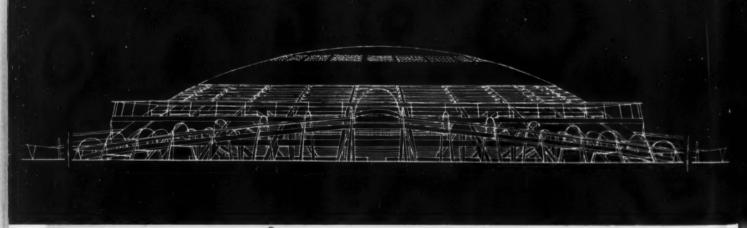
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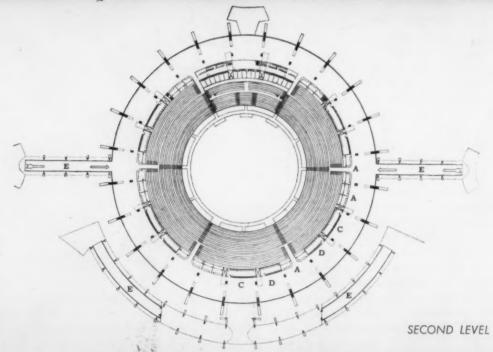
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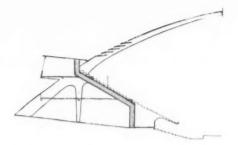
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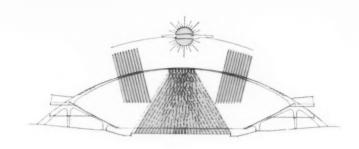
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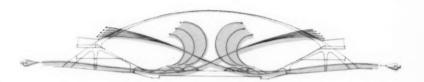
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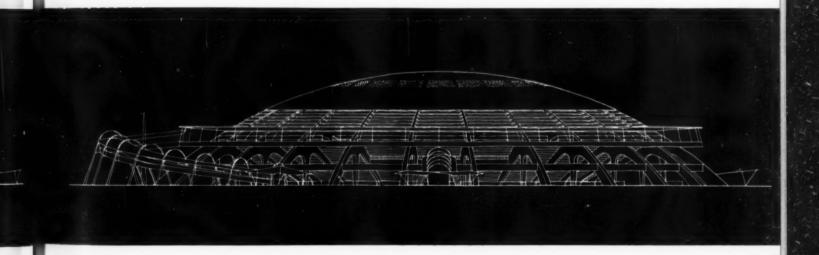


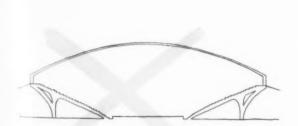


A great number of studies were made to arrive at the structural shape. The three at bottom of page are typical, ranging from an adaptation of the larger stadium to a simple dome. The latter approaches the accepted design, but has insufficient seating area. Glass inserts in concrete shell will provide daylighting labove, right), movable asbestos louvers will control natural ventilation (right). Locker rooms and wash rooms have supplementary ventilation ducts (above)





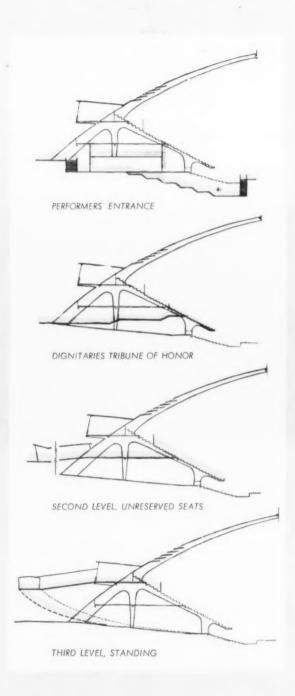




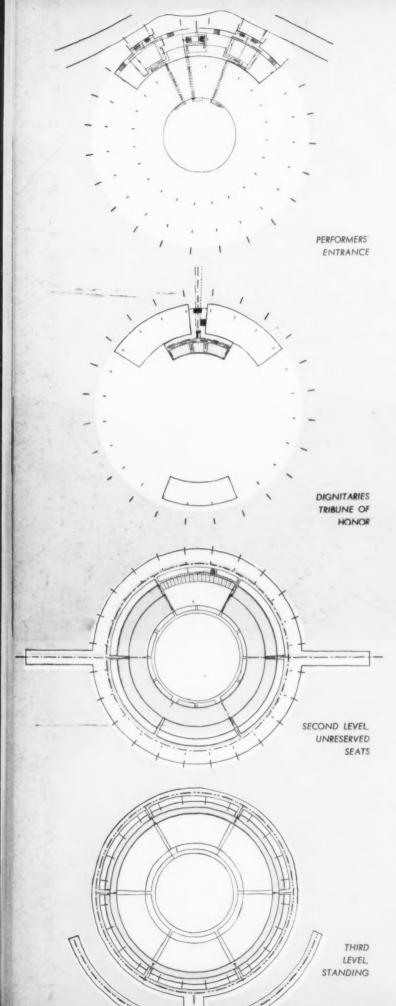




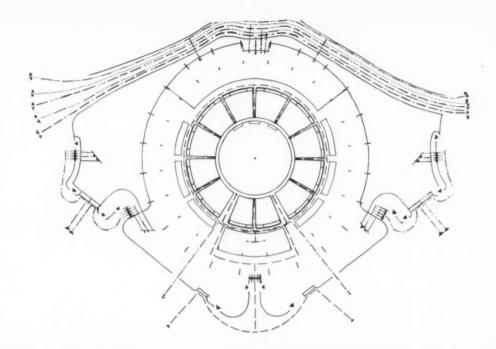
Circulation patterns for 35,000 people is major planning problem in Gymnasium

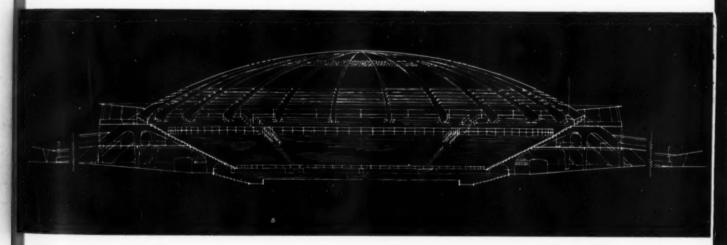


Ease of circulation, both for convenience and safety, becomes a big problem when planning for such large crowds of spectators. As in the larger stadium, all ramp widths are calculated to empty the gymnasium in 15 minutes, none exceeds 10 per cent slope



Entrances to the various levels are dispersed around the building to avoid undue congestion. Main level (right) is entered by low-angle ramp from ground level





The arena was planned to accommodate a variety of events:



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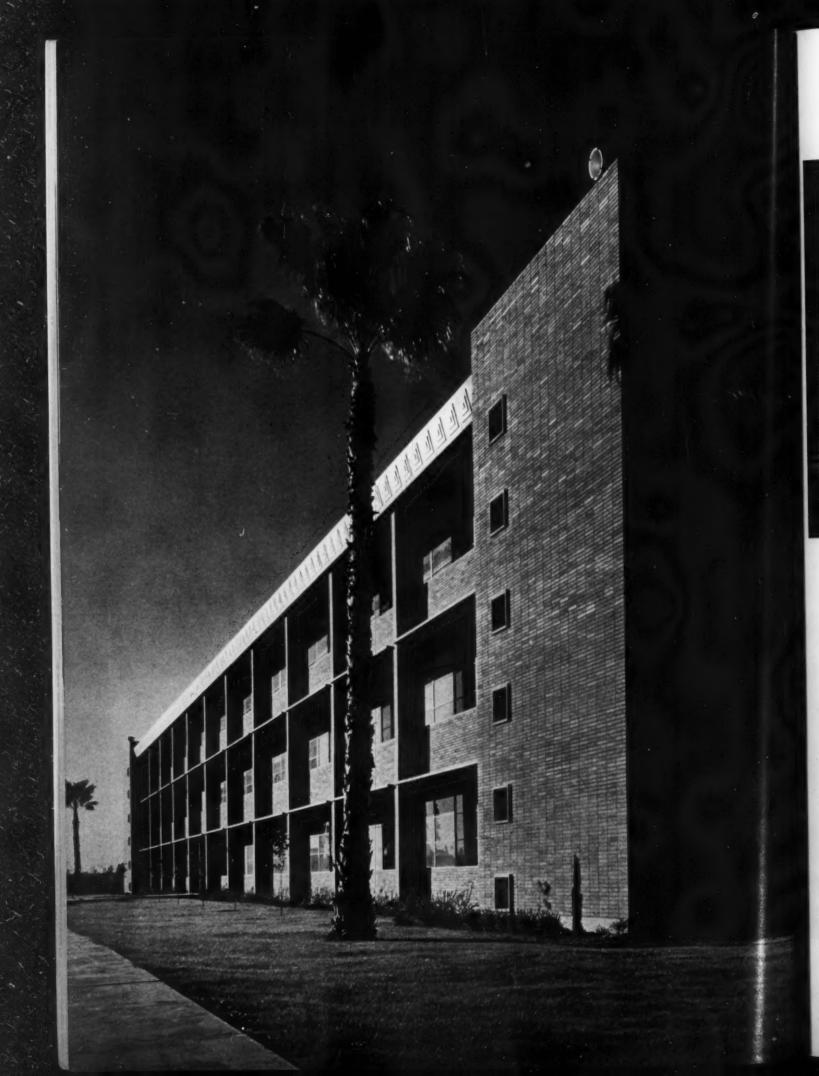
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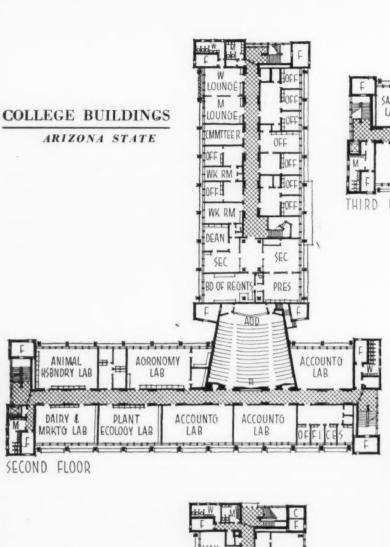
This design demonstrates how climate and air conditioning can play a part in determining structural and architectural shapes and placements to produce a pleasing synthesis of all elements. The program required double-loaded corridors, which meant both north and south exposures for the three-story teaching wing, shown above and at left. This led to an eggcrate pattern of deep reveals serving to shade the glass and cut down the air conditioning load. The continuous box-like spandrels then became lateral ducts feeding air upward at the glass. Placing the structural columns outside the fenestration plane disengaged the structure from the module pattern of the mullions and transverse partitions so that vertical risers could travel without beam interference. In using the entire corridor volume as a return-air plenum, the conventional furred corridor ceiling was eliminated.

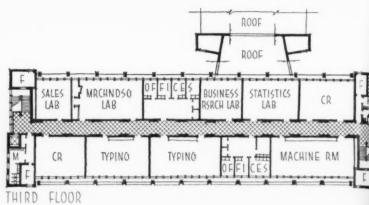
Air conditioning machinery is located in eight vertical stacks, two at each end of each wing. Each stack

has a compressor at the bottom, air handling equipment at each floor and a condenser at the top, which means that refrigerant is pumped from the lower level through coils at each floor and on to the evaporative condenser above. Air is blown over the coils, into the hollow spandrel and circulated at each level. Such a system is flexible, since each unit covers only a quarter of a floor, and economical, due to short runs of both refrigerant and air.

Because of a legislative technicality, three separate functions had to be accommodated in a single structure—thus the building comprises a two-story wing for college administration and a three-story wing for the schools of agriculture and business administration. In the latter, class and lecture rooms are common to both departments but the laboratories are separated.

Completed in 1951, the cost of the building including a 300-ton air conditioning plant and all except movable furniture and equipment was \$9.96 per sq ft.





Plans at left: the two-story administration wing runs north and south—the three-story teaching wing runs east and west. At their juncture the auditorium-lecture hall link completely separates these two main elements. F indicates fan room—C compressor room



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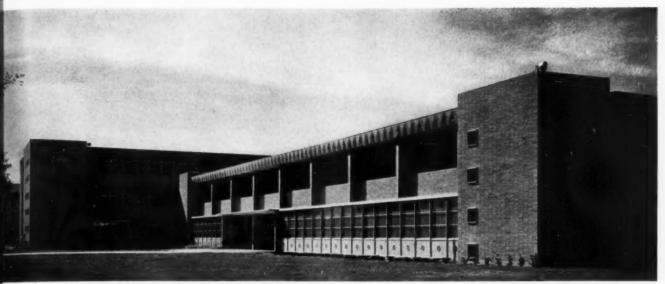


Photo above and on left page: spandrels and corner towers of buff brick—exterior stair of reinforced concrete, interestingly cantilevered from a central column—fireproofing for exterior steel columns of precast rather than poured concrete—all exterior metal aluminum, including sash and entrance doors. Below: stair in administration wing lobby is reinforced concrete with terrazzo finish, aluminum rail

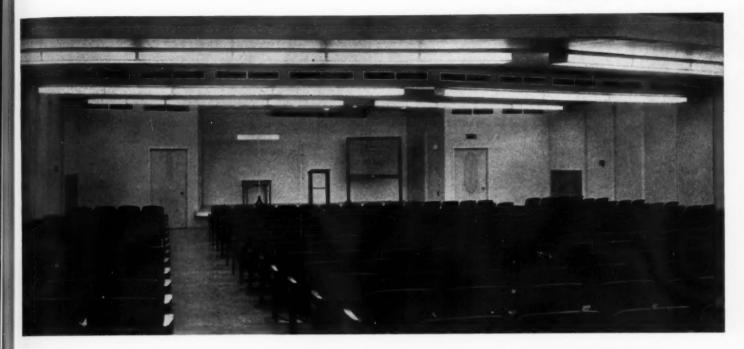




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ARIZONA STATE



The two photographs on facing page show interiors of typical classroom and laboratory note how exterior structural columns stand free of glass and independent of mullion module pattern. Classrooms are shared in common by the two academic departments in the building—laboratories are designed for a specific use within one department

Above and top right: auditorium for lecture and demonstration—this element forms the link between the two wings since daylight is not desirable here. Auditorium occurs at second floor level

Bottom right: view of one of the twin lecture amphitheaters located below the auditorium at first floor level





$\frac{\text{COLLEGE BUILDINGS}}{ARIZONA STATE}$





Meeting room for the Board of Regents (above) has wood panelled walls; architect designed cases and planting box

Below: office of the college president—built-in bookshelves and cabinets, white oak wall panelling, acoustical ceiling

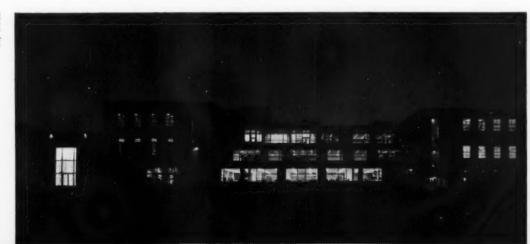
Stuart A. Weiner





RECREATION CENTER WITH MODERN INTERIORS

Student Union Building, Ohio State University, Columbus
Bellman, Gillett and Richards, Architects & Engineers
Howard Dwight Smith, University Architect
Knoll Associates, Interior Consultants



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Ground floor ballroom from terrace

THESE ARCHITECTS had not made interiors a part of their regular service until this opportunity arose. For this project they contracted for a complete job, including all furnishings, and called in consultants to advise on fabrics, furniture, etc. The joint effort produced a group of interiors widely praised.

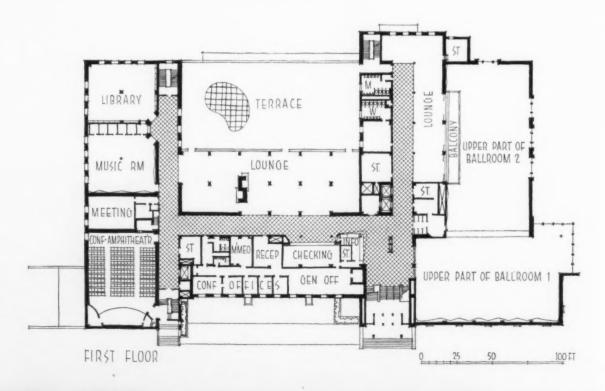
As a result of this happy experience the architects have taken on several additional interior jobs, thereby adding to the volume and scope of their practice.

Ohio State students wanted a Union Building, but were advised that more urgent needs for a hospital, laboratories and dormitories would have preference before the legislature. They therefore organized a campaign and circulated a petition to the university trustees. Despite knowledge that the building could not be completed during their student days, 14,235 students signed in three days, agreed the project must be self-liquidating and pledged a maximum of \$5 per quarter. The trustees approved, assigned a site, and a committee of students, faculty and alumni worked a year on the program, after which the architects started their plans.

The building follows four main divisions: (1) recreation at basement level, (2) dining and ballroom facilities at ground floor level, (3) lounges and administration on the first floor, and (4) student activities offices and private dining on the second floor.

The principle of locating kitchens, deliveries and dining at campus level was followed; also the idea of facing principal rooms and terraces toward "Mirror Lake Hollow," traditional campus beauty spot.

Heat is furnished by converting steam from the central plant into circulating hot water. There are pipe coils in terraces and approaches to melt winter snow.



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1 Main Lounge

2 Browsing Library

3 Auditorium

In addition to an administration suite, music room and meeting room, the principal rooms at first floor level are the large lounge which opens through a glass wall to a flagstone terrace facing the campus "hollow"; a browsing library offering periodicals; a conference auditorium seating 250, used for forums and small concerts



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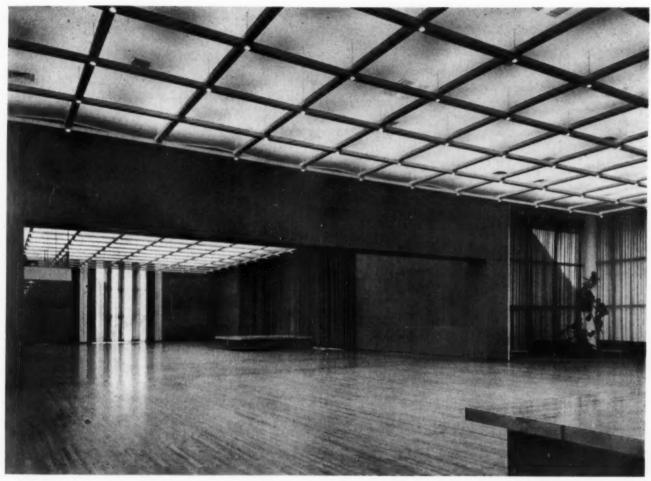




The two ground floor ballrooms ltop rightl open to a terrace facing campus view; can be separated or combined by a motorized wall; four-color fluorescent lighting is adjustable to any color



Principal stair has terrazzo treads and risers, satin-finished aluminum handrails, ends at ground floor level in lobby for ballroom



Jay Oistad



Cafeteria (above) has three counters, two 40-ft conveyors for soiled dishes. Tavern (right) features fireplace, brick and cherry plank walls





OHIO STATE

Basement recreation facilities include 16 bowling alleys (above), 18 billiard and pool tables (below), a card room, a room for eight tennis tables, photography darkrooms, a hobby room



In addition to a 10,000 sq ft wing devoted to offices for student activities, the top or second floor provides 17 private dining rooms (two photos at right). Collapsible partitions divide these areas and provide maximum flexibility for accommodating either large or small groups. Photographs show the space with partitions in open and closed positions

The second floor dining room (below) seating 100, opens to a terrace for outdoor dining in favorable weather, and is adjoined by a large lounge used occasionally for art exhibits. A soft, pleasing light for dining results from suspending plastic eggcrate diffusers below flush downlights





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COLLEGE BUILDINGS

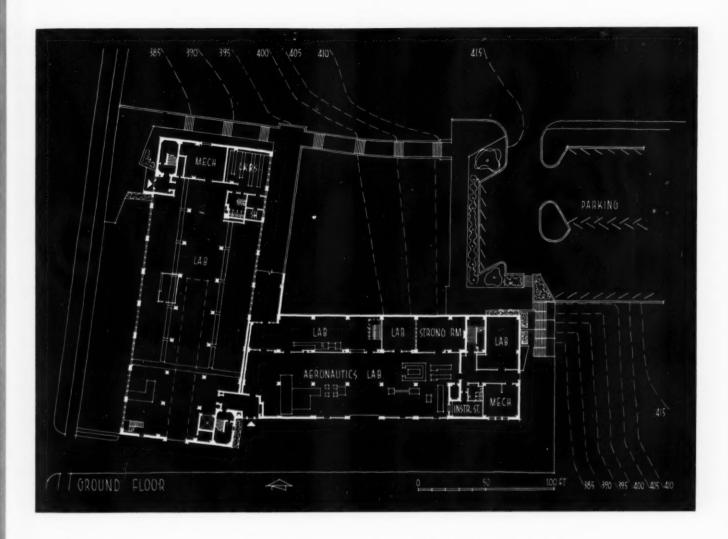


DESIGNED FOR 600-LB

Engineering Building
University of California, Los Angeles Campus
Allison and Rible, Architects
Welton Becket & Associates, Supervising Architects

This building is the first unit in a projected group for engineering study at UCLA. Built at the foot of a hill on a site facing Westwood Boulevard, the main planning problem was to relate the engineering labs to the remainder of the campus buildings, located on a higher level at the top of the hill. Eventually, the main entrance to the engineering group will be located at the higher level, facing the campus.

Designed for heavy duty usage, the buildings will accommodate live loads ranging up to 600 lb per sq ft. Provisions were made for craneways, open wells, elevators, trucks and for free movement of a tractor-trailer with a 7-ton load on all levels and on portions of the



LIVE LOADS

Elevations at street level (left page) face away from main campus group. Plot plan (above) shows parking area (below). Aeronautics wing (below) contains 62,500 sq ft



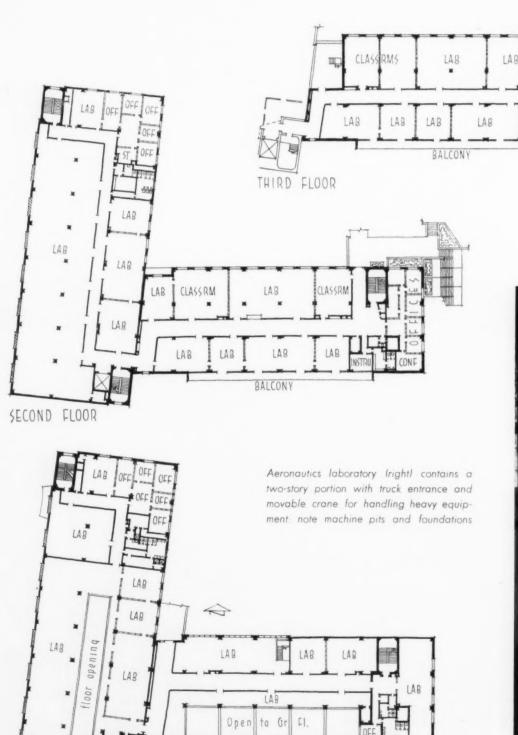
office Challens

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roof. For added convenience in handling large engineering apparatus horizontally and vertically as well as indoors and out, there are ports in floor and roof slabs, masonry panels are removable and balconies afford ac-

cess to outdoor experimental setups. A 7 ft 6 in. parapet effectively shields outdoor project activities on the roof from the higher campus view.

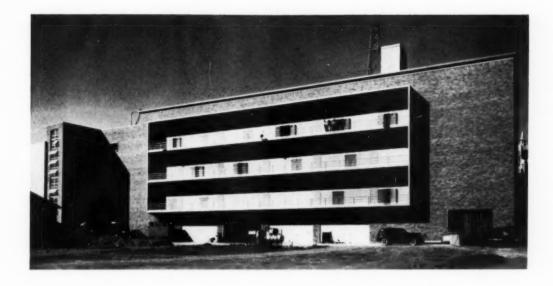
The structural frame is of reinforced concrete; portions of the exterior are of red brick selected to harmonize with the existing buildings; all windows and grills are aluminum, as is the ornamental metal work at the Westwood Boulevard entrance.



BALCONY

FIRST FLOOR

100 FT



Balconies and roof with high parapet labovel are used for outdoor study. Hydraulics laboratory (below, right) has high central area and motor-operated doors for truck entrance



Julius Shulman



$\frac{\text{COLLEGE BUILDINGS}}{\textit{UCLA}}$





Julius Shulman



Physics experiment (top left) in one of the small laboratories on the upper floors

Stairway labovel is located at end of aeronautics wing; serves as vertical link between lower or street level and remainder of campus. Warm colored brick walls; aluminum windows and grills; stainless steel railing; concrete treads and risers

Entrance at Westwood Boulevard (left) features aluminum marquee, entrance doors and louvers; exposed concrete and brick walls

CONTEMPORARY DESIGN AMIDST COLLEGIATE GOTHIC

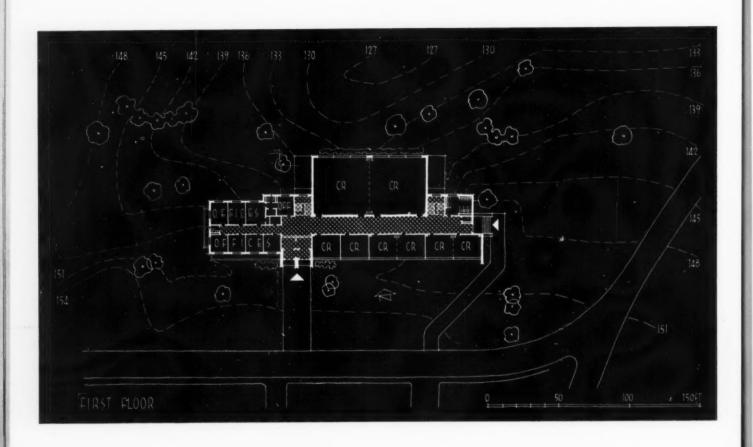
Classroom Building for Graduate Study Concordia Seminary, Clayton, Mo. Kenneth E. Wischmeyer, Architect

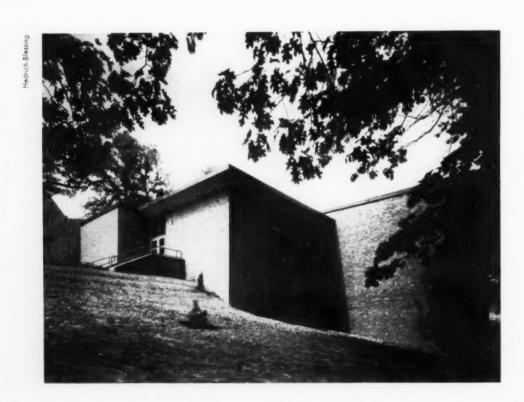
The Evangelical Lutheran synod of Missouri commissioned Charles Z. Klauder to design the original buildings for Concordia Seminary. Located in the suburbs of St. Louis on a rolling, tree-dotted campus, the "collegiate gothic" group was completed in 1925, served without addition until this classroom building was begun.

The Board of Control held originally that any new structure should conform in spirit to those existing, but finding their desires exceeding their budget and the need very great, finally consented to a straightforward building devoid of mouldings or ornament for the new graduate building. The resulting modern design met the budget and cost \$11 per sq ft. There has been universal praise for the interiors, while reaction to the exterior has been mixed. The building has probably set a precedent which may clear the way for similar, unpretentious projects in the future.

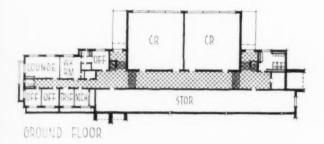
Structure is steel frame and joists with concrete floor slabs — exterior red brick and stock steel sash — interior walls are exposed lightweight block, painted — floors are asphalt tile — ceilings are acoustic tile.







CONCORDIA



Benching the structure into the rake of a hill sloping downwards 15 ft from front to rear (see opposite page) resulted in a one-story elevation toward the road and a full two-storied building at the rear

Below: large lecture-classroom at first floor level can be divided into two smaller classrooms by closing the lateral folding partition. Note the duplicate lecterns and sound equipment for bilocular use



CONCORDIA

Hedrich-Blessing



Street elevation (above) shows use of stock sash to produce an unbroken horizontal band

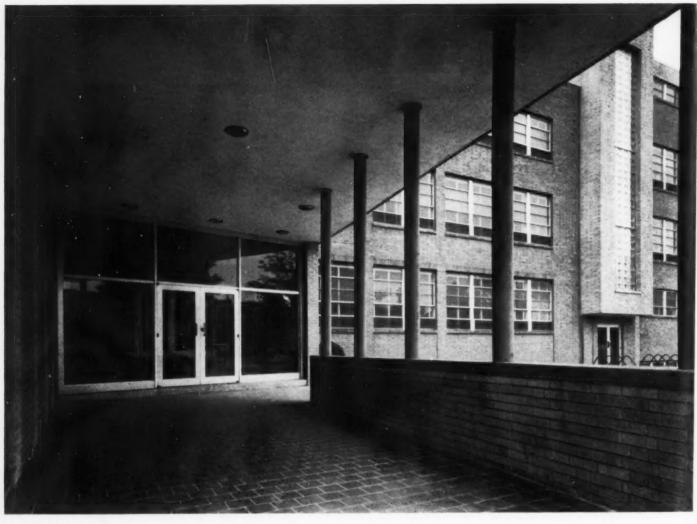
Right: steel pan stairways with cement-filled treads and acoustical tile soffits provide a neat and economical connection between ground and first floors. Railing is of welded steel pipe in a simple, attractive design. Note exposed painted block, laid in an interesting bonding to yield a low-cost, good looking wall

Right page: at the rear two-story portion, brick verticals sheathe the steel columns, express the structure. The entire remaining panel from grade to roof becomes a pattern of standard steel sash and insulated steel panels, broken only by the unit ventilator grills. Overhanging roof soffit is precast lightweight plank



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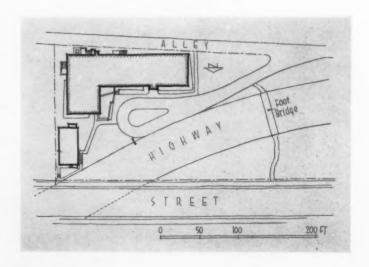




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LABORATORIES AND CLINIC, CENTRAL INSTITUTE

William B. Ittner, Inc., Architects

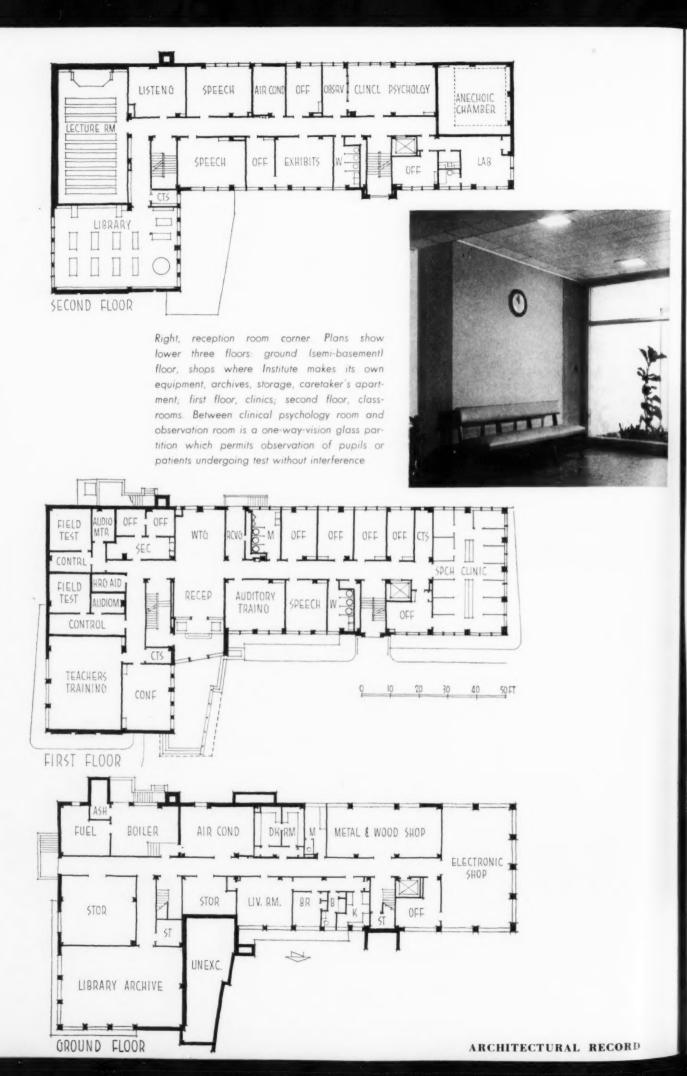


The Central Institute for the Deaf was founded in St. Louis by the late Dr. Max Goldstein, in 1914. It began in limited quarters over the office in which he practiced as an ear specialist. Now it is an internationally known private center comprising a school for deaf and speech defective children, a training college for teachers of the deaf and of speech correction, hearing aid and auditory training clinics, psychological and research laboratories, library, and engineering shops. It maintains close liaison with the adjacent teaching hospital and Washington University.

Early in 1951 the new research laboratory and clinical building was completed. As the site plan shows, a depressed superhighway passes close to the new building. Since research into the nature of sound is an important part of the Institute's program, the vibration and noise caused by heavy traffic might have been expected to cause trouble. However, soil conditions were excellent, and the reinforced concrete columns and floor slabs, gypsum tile partitions, and full acoustical treatment of interiors — all required in any event—eliminated interference with sound control.

It is unusual to find associated under one roof the combination of activities which the Institute carries on. Fundamentally these are: research, teaching, teacher training. They require pursuit of basic, applied and clinical sciences and training in education and in audiology (study of problems of oral communication both receptive and expressive). The building is departmentalized approximately by floors, with shops — the Institute builds its own electronic equipment - and archives on the ground floor, clinics and other areas to which many people need ready access on the first floor, classrooms on the second, and laboratories on the third. In addition to clinics and laboratories, the building contains elaborate equipment and affords opportunities for studies in physiology (especially neuro-physiology and electro-physiology), psychology, speech pathology, physics and engineering as applied to acoustics and otology. At one end is a two-and-a-half story anechoic chamber, shown on subsequent pages, in which virtually 100 per cent of sound is absorbed. All these facilities provide means for studying the absolute nature of sound and its effect on human beings.



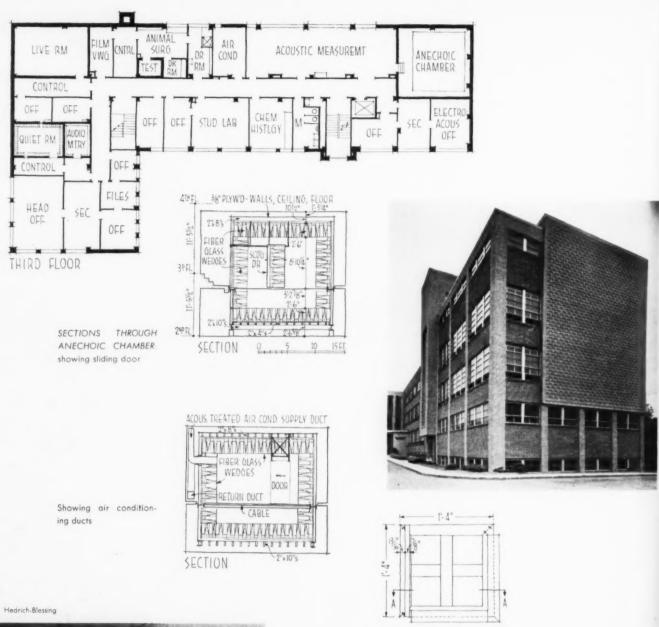




CENTRAL INSTITUTE FOR THE DEAF



Top: rooms used by public, pupils or patients are furnished as pleasantly as possible. Throughout, floors are asphalt tile and ceilings acoustical tile. Below, speech clinic contains cubicles large enough for teacher, pupil and a parent or friend to help put pupil at ease





Plan of third floor shows laboratory facilities, including rooms of various degrees of liveness with control rooms adjacent. Intensities, nature, effects of sound are studied electronically; effects on animals and people are accurately measured by recording nerve responses to the stimulus of sounds. Sections, detail and photo at right show anechoic ("without echo") chamber; photo above position of anechoic chamber is expressed on exterior by patterned brick panel; left, control room

SECTION A-A

Wood frames for

Glass fiber wedges



PATTERSON-BRADFORD REXALL

Joseph W. Molitor



DRUG STORE

Jackson, Mississippi
N. W. Overstreet & Associates, Architects



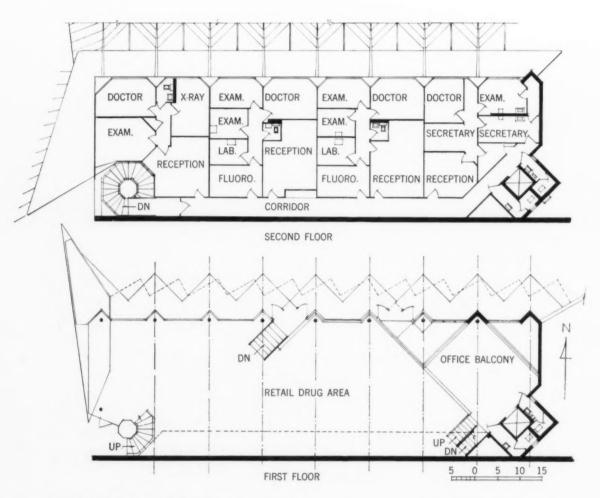
A circular glass-enclosed stair, angled show windows, and a wire trellis over the parking area give this store and office building in Mississippi a look of light openness very welcome in the South.

The building, designed by Robert K. Overstreet, an associate in his father's firm, is in a suburban business section of Jackson. The main floor is an unbroken sales area; glass walls along the north (parking) side and across the front permit customers to see the whole store as they enter, whether they arrive by car or by foot. The druggist, too, has a clear view of the entire floor from his office — a balcony at the rear, beneath which is tucked a florist's shop opening to the parking area. Storage space is in the basement.

The second floor of the building (plan next page) consists of several suites of doctors' offices, complete

with laboratories, X-ray and fluoroscopy rooms. An elevator is provided for the use of patients who do not wish to or cannot use the circular stairs at the front. Those stairs, of course, are not merely an attractive feature of the building, but a sound merchandising feature as well: from them the second-floor visitors get a full view of the store's displays.

The exterior of the building has a flair about it which again indicates the merchandising sense of the architect. Over the parking area is a trellis of aluminum wire and stock steel shapes trimmed to a delicate profile; vines eventually will cover the wires, cutting down show-window reflections and providing a cool greenness. Across the front is a reinforced concrete canopy, roughly triangular, from which protrude decorative aluminum rods.



Druggist's office balcony is 5 ft above main floor; site slopes to rear, permitting florist's shop below balcony. Heating and air conditioning equipment is in basement. Building is reinforced concrete, built-up roof, 4-in. glass wool thermal insulation







COUSINS FURNITURE AND APPLIANCE STORE

Johnson County, Kansas

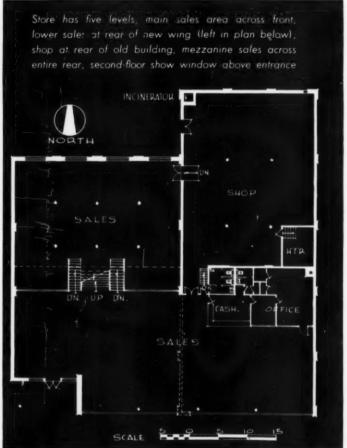
Kivett & Myers, Architects

The site of this store is on a highway leading to one of the better residential sections of Kansas City. Half of the building formally was a supermarket which was badly damaged by fire and subsequently remodeled; the other half (left on plan below) is new. The second

floor show window was the result of the owner's request for display space which could be seen by approaching motorists from the top of a nearby hill.

Foundations are stone (old portion of the building) and concrete block; exterior walls are red brick.



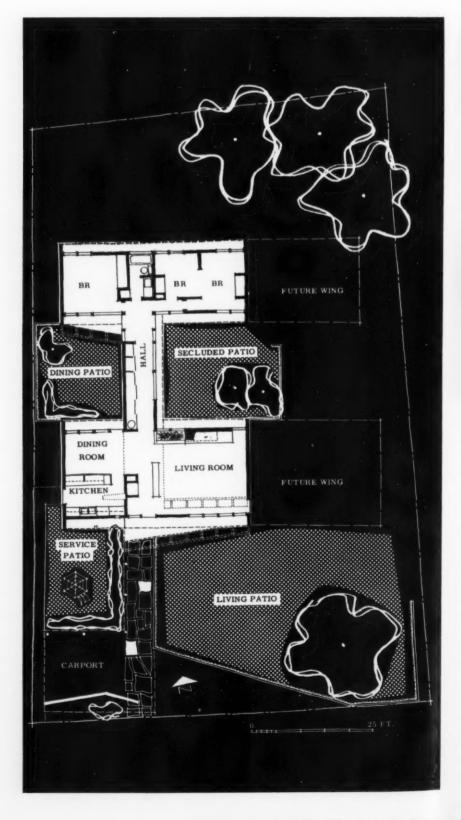




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MODERN INTERPRETATION REMINISCENT

Residence for Mr. and Mrs. John J. Taylor.



The function of the courtyardthat dominant characteristic of houses in New Orleans' French Quarter-is here freshly interpreted in a contemporary suburban house. Situated on a small lot with other houses adjacent. and in a climate that is very hot for nine months of the year, the bi-nuclear plan (right) resulted from the owners' requirements of the utmost in privacy and adequate ventilation. Fences and unbroken wall areas add to seclusion, and high ceilings contribute to additional air circulation besides creating a spacious effect. Carport and extension of wings are planned for future

OF OLD FRENCH QUARTER

New Orleans, Louisiana

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Architects

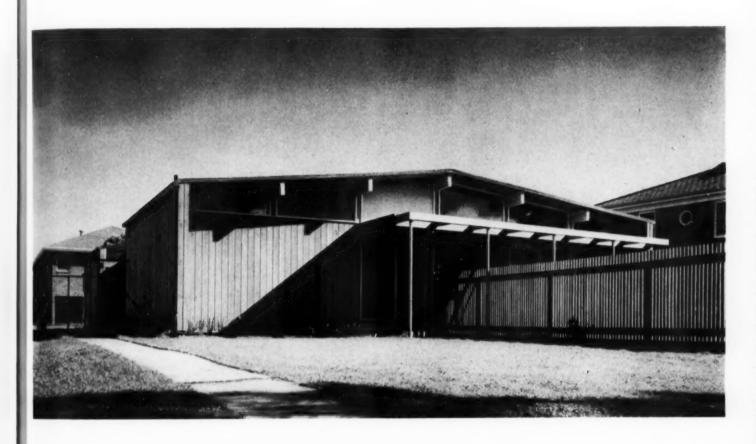


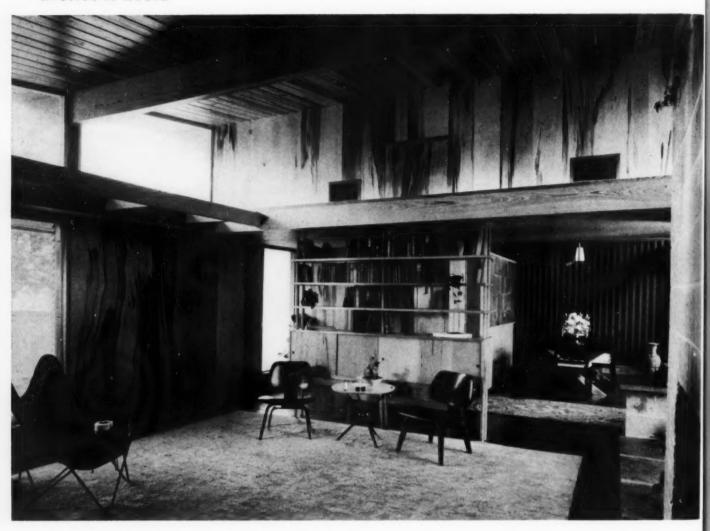
Photo above illustrates how proximity to neighboring residences is relieved by fences and unbroken wall areas. Below: bedroom wing and view of courtyard

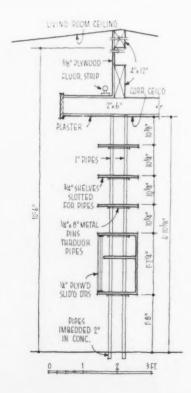




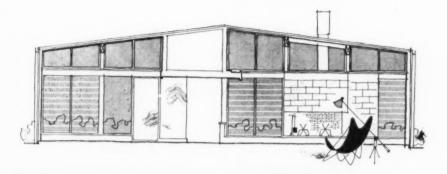
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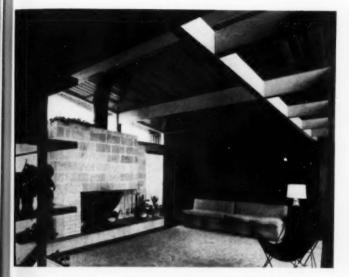
LOUISIANA HOUSE





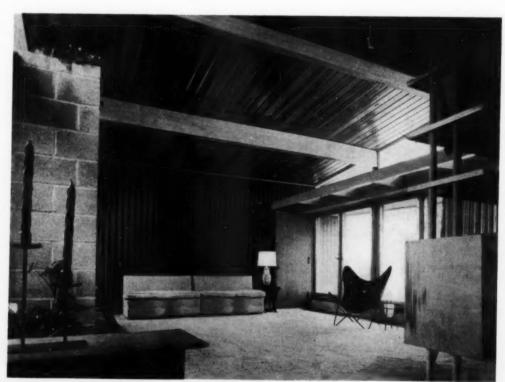
Designed for a young couple with two small daughters, the house is located in a sub-division near New Orleans. Built on land reclaimed from Lake Pontchartrain, the house rests on a concrete slab which is poured over 6-in. shell fill and membrane waterproofing. Framing and siding are of Southern yellow pine, protected by a creosote stain, and the roof is heat-reflecting white marble chip composition over 2 in. of rigid insulation material. Roof sheathing of 2-in. tongue and groove decking has been left exposed inside. A spacious atmosphere has been attained through very high ceilings - broken only by interior extension of outside overhangs and a lowered ceiling in connecting corridor. Radiant heating system is located above connecting corridor, with two forced warm air heaters, one at either end. Outdoor patios may be reached from any part of the house, and childrens' room leads directly to play yard. Except for the bathroom, none of the partitions extends to the ceiling, contributing to improved air circulation throughout the house.







Interiors are pine, plywood and corrugated asbestos sheeting. Future mural will be set in space provided on dining room wall. Detail at top is section of dining and living room wall. Bookcase (opposite) and low corridor ceiling help to recall domestic scale



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LOUISIANA HOUSE



Joseph Molitor

All openable portions of glazed walls are fitted with screened adjustable glass louvers, easily operated and providing excellent ventilation. Floors are asphalt tile and there is an exceptional amount of storage space for a house of this size. High ceilings are appropriate for Louisiana climate





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ARCHITECTURAL BECORD'S
BUILDING TYPES STUDY
NUMBER 191



Roger Sturtevant

HOSPITALS

In the last year or so the earlier Hill-Burton hospitals have been completed, adding substantially to the health facilities of the country. Only now are we seeing the tangible results of many years of study and effort, by Marshall Shaffer and his staff of architects in the U.S. Public Health Service, by many hospital agencies in the states, and by architects who have translated it all into building plans.

It has been interesting to watch so much concerted study of hospital planning, beginning a decade or more ago, and still going on. Major developments include: "Coordinated Hospital Service Plan," ARCHITECTURAL RECORD, Aug. 1945; "Elements of the General Hospital," A R. June 1946; "Plans of General Hospitals for the Coordinated Hospital System," A R. Jan. 1948; and revisions of the elements, A R, April 1952. Reprints of these U.S. Public Health Service reports have been circulated by the thousands, have become a considerable compendium of information on hospital planning. Incidentally, they are all being brought up to date and will soon be published in book form.

It has been especially interesting to see how these planning tools have been used. There were a few dire predictions that architects would "copy them cold," that "standard plans" would block advances in planning. would stifle initiative, would hamstring architects with bureaucratic control. But none of these woeful things has happened. Architects have welcomed the information, have used various elements as suggested, have learned much about planning, and they have planned better hospitals. There has been nothing restrictive or arbitrary in the process. Architects have invariably adapted the information to individual needs and circumstances, have invented new combinations, incorporated new ideas, have satisfied special requirements or whims of hospital boards and administrators, have added flexibility and expandability. The various planning aids have encouraged many architects to enter what was once a specialized field, have helped them

learn about hospitals, and have encouraged them to go on learning.

Several important developments have happened since the program started:

- 1. Sizes of hospitals have followed individual community needs. There are many more small hospitals than first proposed, and the really small ones have better equipment than was originally considered possible.
- 2. The expandable hospital has arrived the "50-bed hospital on a 100-bed chassis," for example.
- 3. More equipment has become the rule, not only for contemplated expansion, but also for early ambulation. As the hospital stay has shortened, the use of hospital facilities has increased, so hospitals must now be planned for this increased turnover.
- Personnel problems have also added to equipment.
 Hospital management is using the tricks of factory management, using more mechanical gadgets to cut labor costs.
- 5. Many medical developments have been accommodated in planning the recovery room, for example, or provisions for a few mental patients in the general hospital, or increased toilet facilities or other devices to encourage self-help by patients. Or more facilities for occupational therapy, or more dayrooms for ambulant patients. Or, in some instances, more diagnostic facilities for out-patients.
- 6. Costs have skyrocketed. Federal funds, against present costs, have become a mere trickle. Nevertheless the Hill-Burton program has made hospital care available in many communities which never had it before, has "sold" hospital care, and the demand is still increasing.

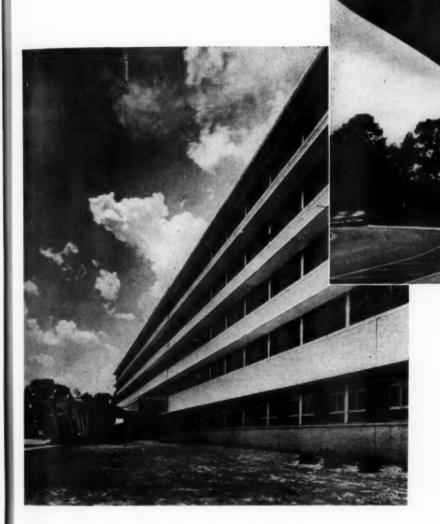
This Building Types Study comprises six carefully selected Hill-Burton hospitals, in representative sizes from 20 to 285 beds. All show evidences that the basic planning information has been well assimilated; more important perhaps, they all show great ingenuity by their individual architects.

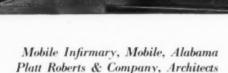


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Mobile Infirmary occupies a large wooded site, formerly a golf club. There is approximately a mile of roadways and several acres of parking space. Scheme contemplates later construction of a nurses' building for residence, recreation and training of nurses







Reg. F. Taylor, Mechanical Engineer
R. S. Christiansen, Structural Engineer
W. C. Pauley, Landscape Architect
Clyde Sibley, Medical Consultant

285-BED HOSPITAL PLANNED FOR TRAINING

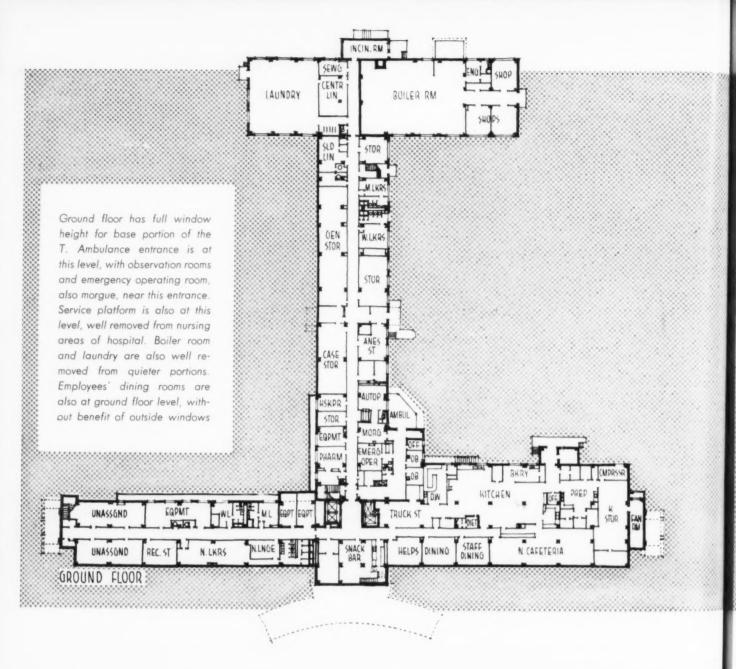
THOUGH it has not at present fully reached that status, this hospital fits into the coordinated hospital system as a teaching hospital. It is quite large, 285 beds, and is one of relatively few of its classification to have assistance from the Hill-Burton program.

Perhaps it should be explained that this is primarily a hospital, not an educational institution, and its classification for teaching has not greatly affected its planning. It is, in short, a normal general hospital, larger than most in the program, with the usual elements and facilities but more of them. The final scheme contemplates a nurses' building, with living quarters, recreational and teaching facilities. Meanwhile there is a teaching room in connection with each nurses' station, where instruction can be given.

The design assumes visiting doctors, no provisions being made at the present for interns or resident doctors;

the building can be expanded to fulfil these requirements if they prove necessary.

The plan of the hospital is interesting; in general it is conventional, a T form for the separation of medical facilities and nursing units. It might be said that the scheme is a combination of the horizontal and vertical concepts of hospital planning, striking a reasonable balance between horizontal and vertical travel distances. The distances through the medical departments seem fairly long, but with departments the size of these, a great deal of walking is unavoidable, no matter how the departments are disposed. And confining the building to five major floors obviates certain of the vertical travel. Where travel distances are most important—within the nursing units—it is well confined, with nurses' station and facilities centrally located, and with corridors at least partially double-loaded. Each nursing



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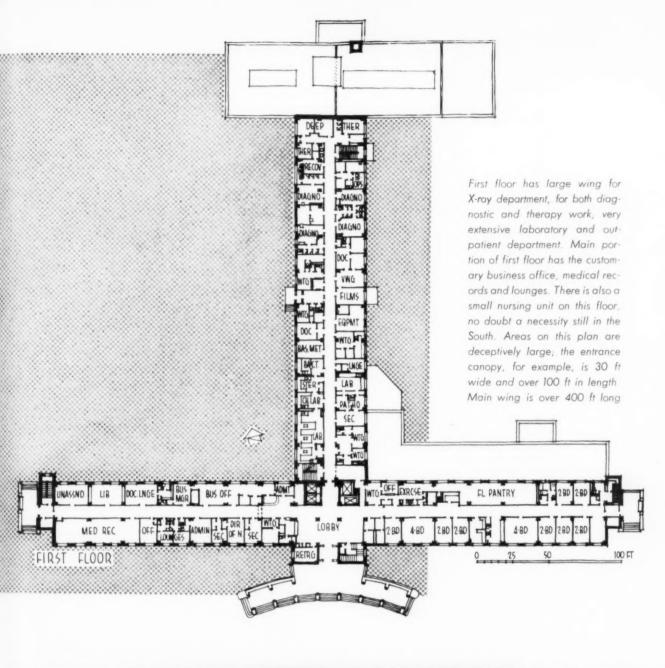
unit has a nominal capacity of 26 beds, the two-bed rooms without toilets placed closest to the nurses' station.

The building is reinforced concrete frame construction with concrete floor and roof slabs and masonry curtain walls. Face brick is light buff and dark maroon. Architectural stone copings are light buff, spandrels dark coral pink. Concrete hoods over windows and portico are painted concrete; windows are aluminum.

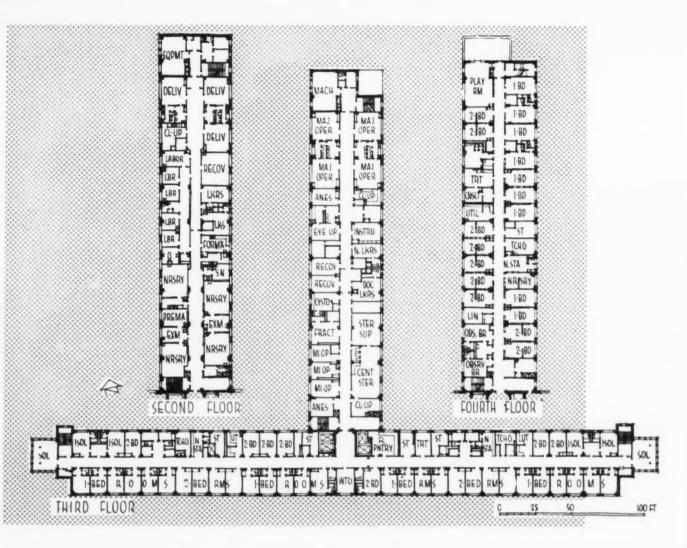
In the interior, walls and ceilings are generally of plaster. Floors are ceramic, quarry, asphalt or rubber tile and terrazzo. At present air conditioning is confined to public areas, operation, delivery and service suites, though provisions have been made for air conditioning bedrooms where desired.

The site is exceptionally good; it is close to the city but quite beautiful. It was originally a golf course.

Costs are given at \$3,100,000 for building construction, \$4,500,000 including equipment. Total area is 210,000 sq ft.







Thiopen



Upper floors are the same in the main portion, with two nursing wings per floor, differ as shown in the rise of the T. obstetrical and nurseries on the second, surgical department on the third, pediatrics on the fourth. Pediatrics section is exceptionally large and well-equipped



Opposite page: cashiers' counter is conveniently but unobtrusively placed near main lobby but not within it. Above: lobby is finished in pink marble and is air conditioned. Right: outpatient department opens directly off lobby









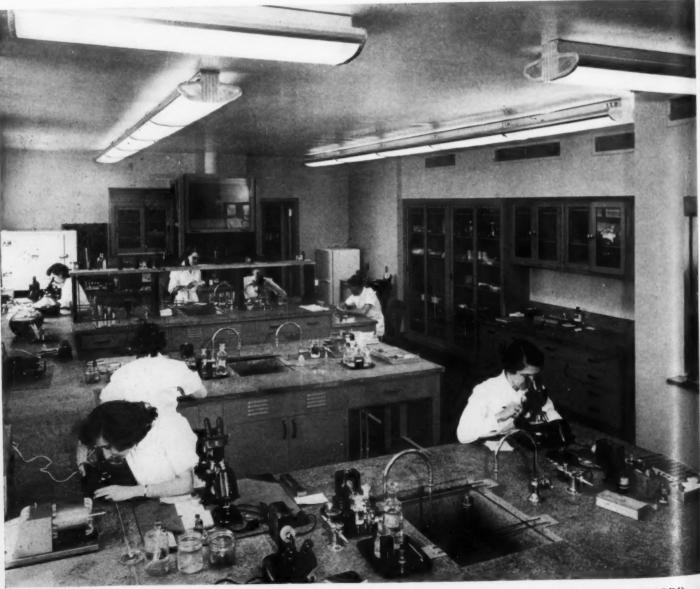
Opposite page, upper typical private room, equipped with window air conditioning unit; center: typical two-bed room; lower: isolation room, looking toward sub-utility room. Below: one of the nurseries, as seen from the examining room where doctors see babies



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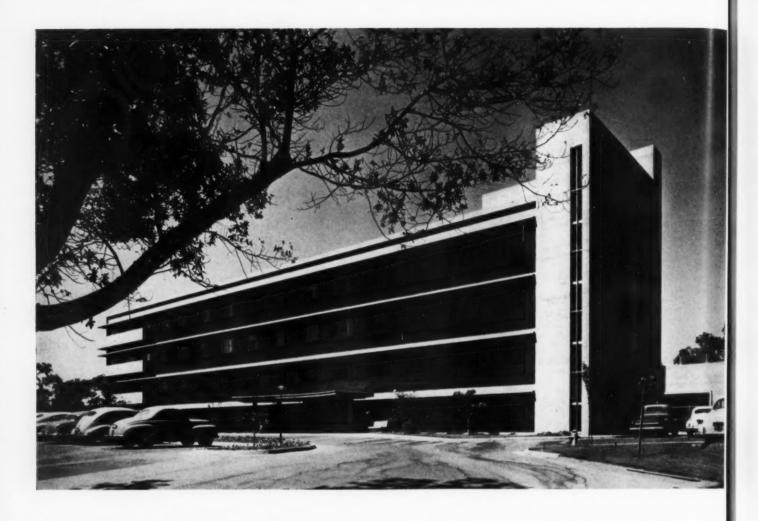
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Opposite page: chapel for worship by patients or personnel. Left: food carts for distributing meals from main kitchen to floor pantries. Opposite page, below: general laboratories. Below: one of the major operating rooms in use. Lighting is carefully controlled, with light-tight shades at windows, plenty of general lighting to obviate strong brightness contrast between strong local light and the surrounding background of the room







PACE-SETTER HOSPITAL STRESSES EQUIPMENT

Marin General Hospital, Greenbrae, Calif.

Robert Stanton, Architect

Dr. J. A. Katzive, Consultant
Henry X. Jackson, Consultant and Administrator
MacD. Perkins, Structural Engineer
Clyde E. Bentley, Mechanical Engineer
Lawrence Halprin, Landscape Architect





A PACE-SETTER in many respects, this hospital is especially notable for its equipment and facilities. Nominally a 100-bed hospital, it has operating department and adjunct facilities for a hospital perhaps twice that size, not primarily because large expansion is planned, but rather because early ambulation and modern medical techniques mean that medical facilities are more important than bed count.

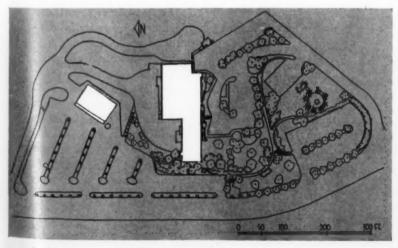
The operating suite has five major operating rooms. Though two of these are specially designated — orthopedic and cystoscopic — both are full-scale and fully equipped. In addition, the two in the emergency department — one designated as fracture room — are also full-scale operating rooms. There is also, of course, the separate obstetrical suite, with two delivery rooms.

The dictate of full medical facilities has added heavily to the equipment of this hospital in many departments. There is, for example, a variable temperature control room (fourth floor). It is used as a diagnostic aid for cardio-vascular disorders. The room may be taken through a series of rapid temperature changes from 0 to 75 deg C; by measuring the response or the rate of skin temperature change, the extent of damaged nerves and tissues can be determined. There are two allergy rooms, with air conditioning and electrostatic filters. There are two "maximum security" rooms. Laboratory and X-ray departments are exceptionally well equipped, also the physical therapy department. Both pediatrics and nursery sections are especially well planned.

Equipment generally is generous. For a few items: toilet facilities in all rooms; two-way communication system from bedside to nurses' station; piped in oxygen;



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Building in rear is small storage warehouse





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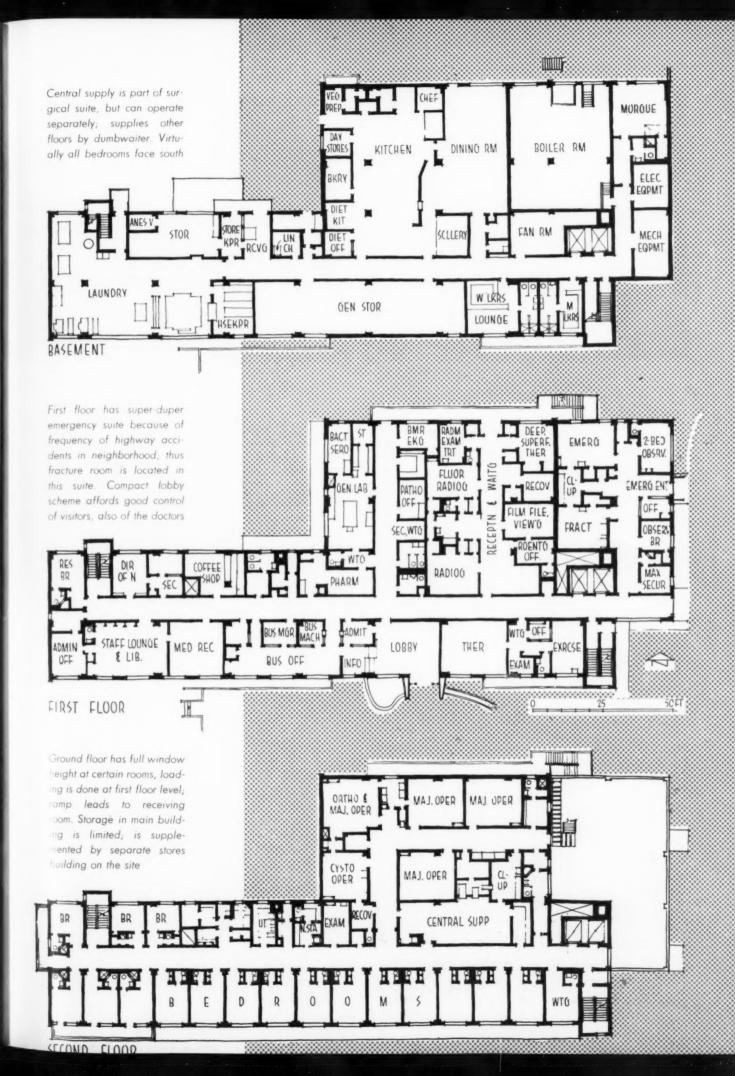
Physical therapy suite (first floor) is compact, but exceptionally well equipped, and is very heavily used



telephone jacks in all rooms; mail chutes from nurses' station to office; central dictating system, with 12 substations, for doctors to dictate their records. The need for cracked ice on the floor "has been completely obviated by piping ice water to the nourishment rooms, and using vacuum jugs at bedside, and by using iceless oxygen tents and freez-a-bag units instead of ice bags."

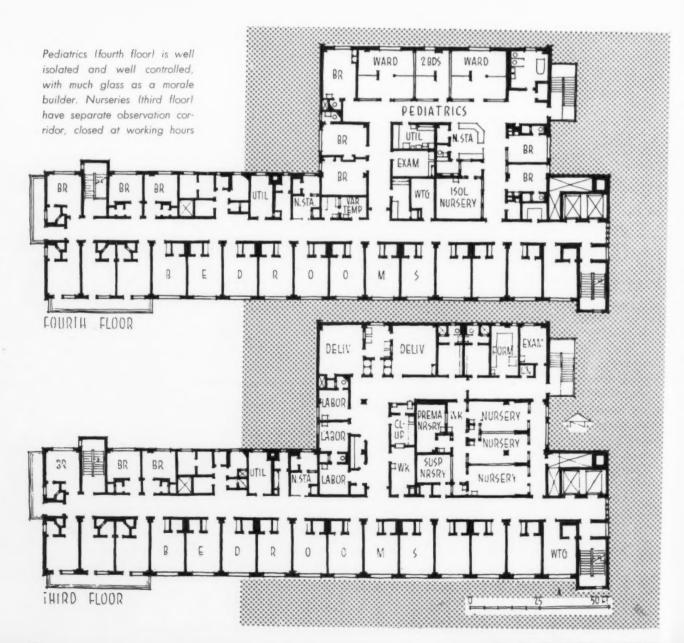
The building is of reinforced concrete frame and exterior walls and sunshades. The concrete has the integral color that has become almost a trademark of Stanton's hospitals. The color is a light salmon pink; the surface is sometimes sandblasted to give the effect of travertine. The integral color, plus the use of aluminum sash, virtually obviates exterior maintenance expense.

The site is large and naturally beautiful, with views of that famous Mt. Tamalpais, the view exposure fortunately corresponding to the desirable sun exposure for patients' rooms. Since Marin County is entirely a vehicular community, parking space has been provided for more than 300 cars.







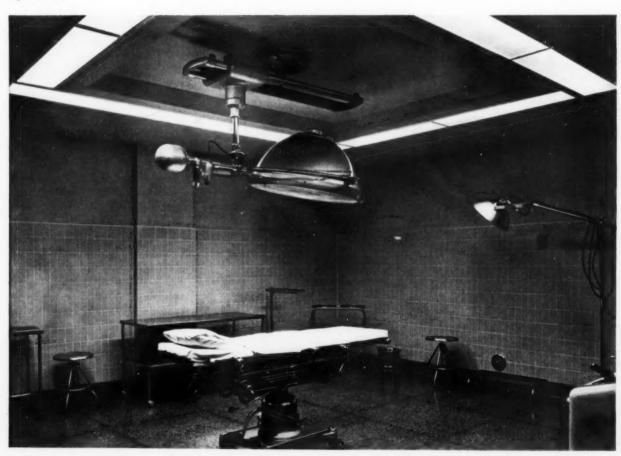






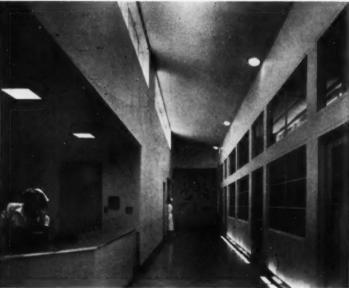
Left to right: nurses' station; view of private room; nursery observation gallery; laboratory. Below: one of the major operating rooms. Note the peripheral lighting around operating table, to keep down brightness contrasts for surgeons

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Laundry works on assembly line basis, has full daylight. Right: nurses' station for pediatrics





Below: kitchen uses individual tray system, with preheated pyrex units to keep food hot. Trays are prepared, to individual orders, on one serving counter. Kitchen is quite compact



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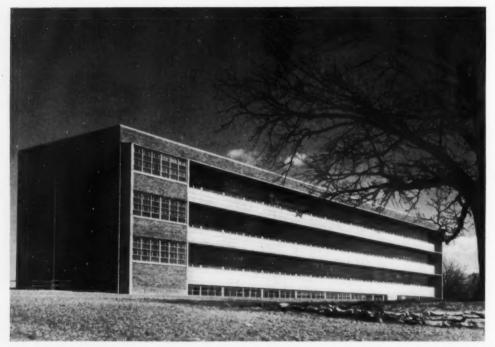








Above glass partitions in pediatrics departments tend to keep children amused and cooperative. Upper right-view of main lobby, looking toward information desk. Right, center: information desk is just that cashier's counter is recessed off the main corridor. Right: another view of nurses' station in pediatrics department









Ottumwa Hospital,
Ottumwa, Iowa
Morgan-Gelatt &
Associates, Architects

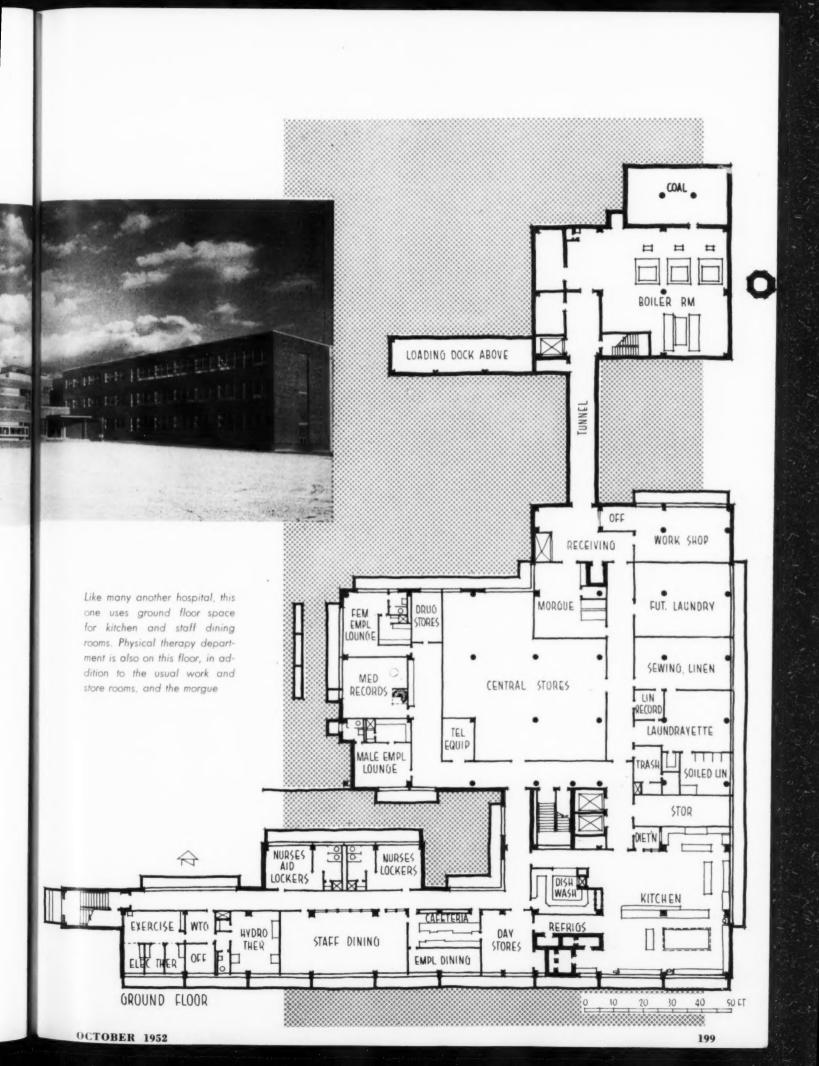
133-BED HOSPITAL PLANNED FOR EXPANSION

OTTUMWA HOSPITAL is a representative example of planning for expansion; it replaces a hospital group which for 60 years had struggled with space problems, so that its planners were not intending to get caught within the foreseeable future with overcrowding. The normal capacity of the new building is put at 133 beds; it might take 175 patients under emergency conditions. But it can be expanded in virtually all directions, and has facilities all ready to take considerable extension.

The building now is L-shaped; in the next stage it

will become T-shaped; and finally it might take the form of an X with an extension out from the top of the T. All of this growth is planned to leave undisturbed the central portion containing kitchen area, administration, laboratories, surgical and obstetrical departments.

The building is oriented on a large site to give most of the patient rooms a southeast exposure, both in the present form and in the first expansion of the nursing wings. In the nursing portion the plan uses a singleloaded corridor, with only nursing station and utility

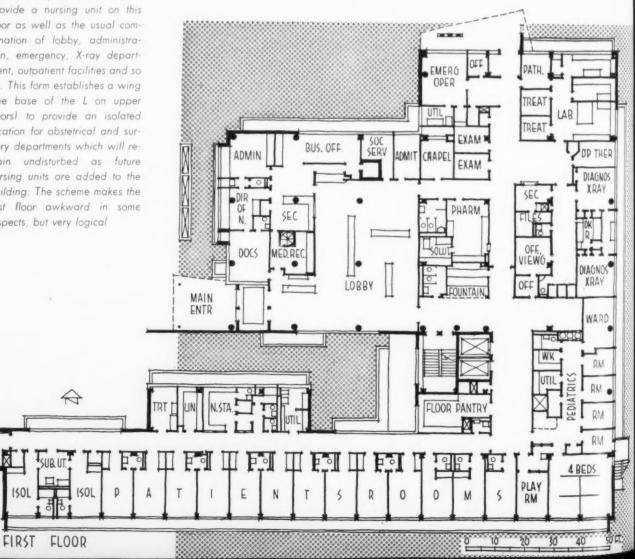


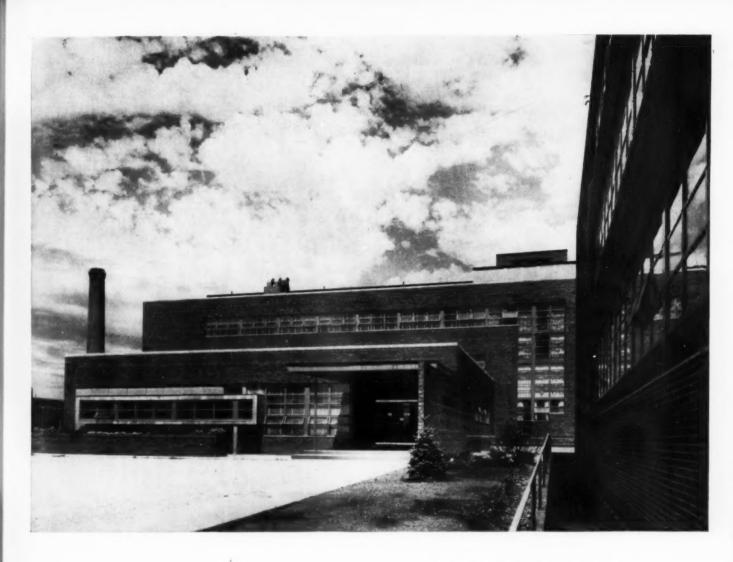




Ottumwa Hospital develops its first floor quite extensively to provide a nursing unit on this floor as well as the usual combination of lobby, administration, emergency, X-ray department, outpatient facilities and so on. This form establishes a wing (the base of the L on upper floors1 to provide an isolated location for obstetrical and surgery departments which will remain undisturbed as future nursing units are added to the building. The scheme makes the first floor awkward in some respects, but very logical

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Main entrances located within the form of the L sacrifice a certain monumental quality, but preserve logic of plan. This also, by the way, saved substantially on driveway costs

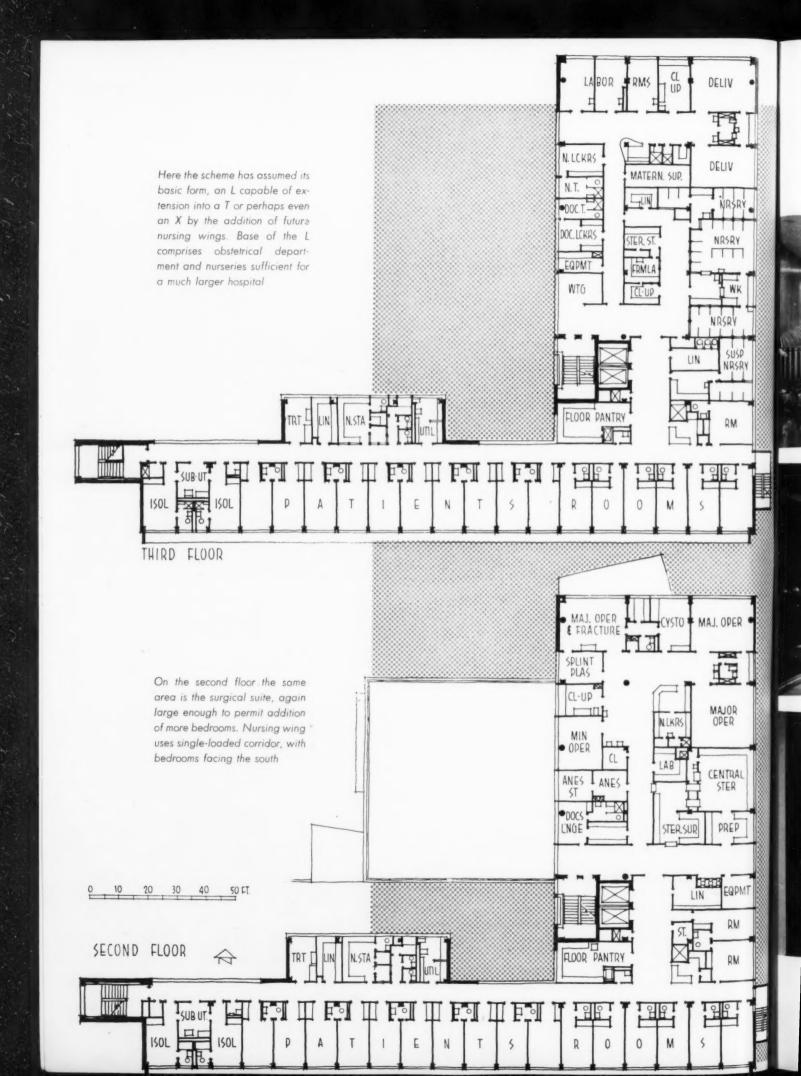
rooms centrally located on the opposite side of the corridor.

The scheme outlined above, to give an extra large chassis and maintain it undisturbed by expansions, had the effect of straining the lower floors just a bit. Also of putting the kitchen and dining rooms down on the ground floor. However, this level has above-grade windows on two sides to relieve the unpleasantness of basement space. It also introduced a rather awkward problem of handling supplies at ground level, down in an elevator, and through a tunnel to the kitchen and storage areas. This does have the advantage, however, of keeping noisy, unsightly operations well-screened.

The building is of reinforced concrete construction, with concrete spandrels and sun hoods, and thin, high-strength columns. Red brick was used, to contrast with the gray of the concrete.

Total construction cost is given at \$1,417,704. This works out to \$12,789 per bed; \$14.88 per sq ft; \$1.21 per cu ft. These costs include construction, equipment and fees.





Top left: main lobby is unusually colorful. Top right: entrance lobby as seen from outside. Center, left: doctors' lounge as seen from entrance vestibule. Center, right: nurses' station on the second floor















Above: refreshment counter has convenient location near lobby. Right: chapel doubles as lounge or lecture room



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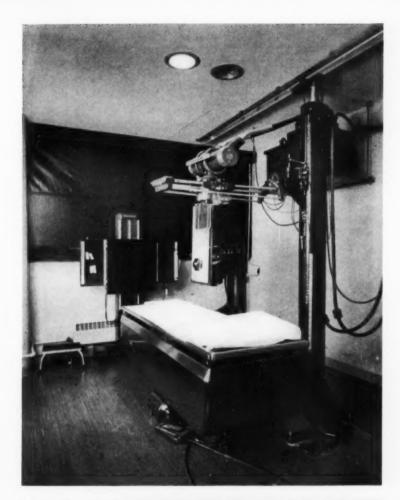


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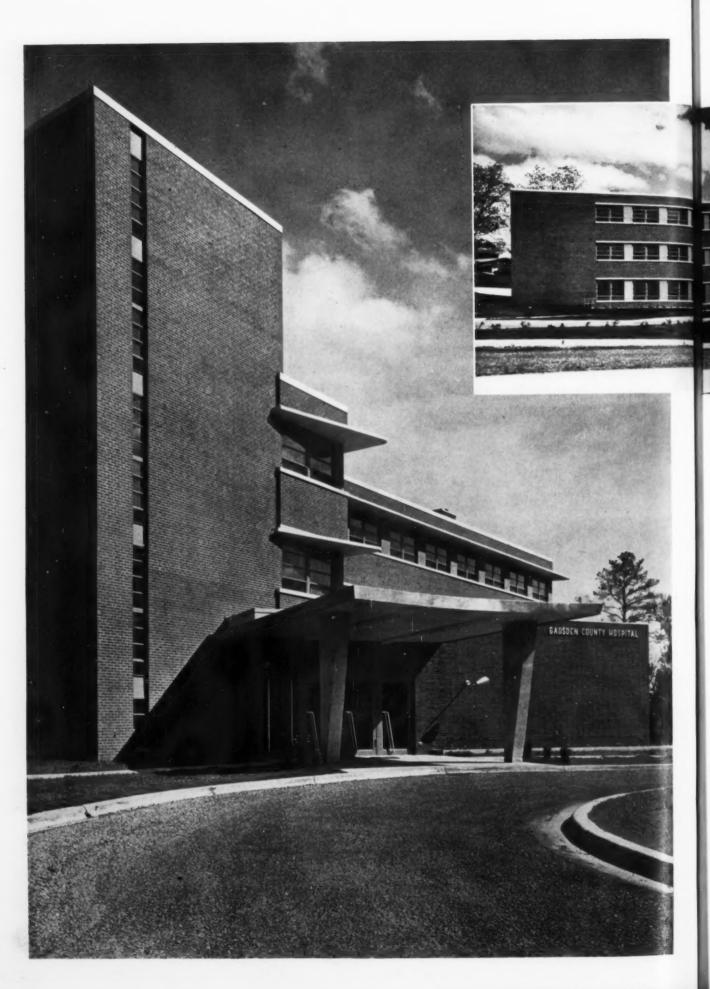
Opposite page, left view into two-bed room Interiors use plenty of color, with four color schemes of blue, green, rose beige and peach, with gay draperies. Opposite page, right one of nurseries



Opposite page: one of the major operating rooms. This one has windows facing north; the other has no windows. Here the usual fracture room is a full-scale major operating room; the minor operating room, this page, right, is almost the equal of a major room. Other photographs on this page show the scrub-up facilities and one of the diagnostic X-ray rooms (first floor)









Gadsden County Hospital, Quincy, Florida

Robert and Company Associates. Architects and Engineers

PLANNED FOR EXPANDABILITY PLUS ECONOMY

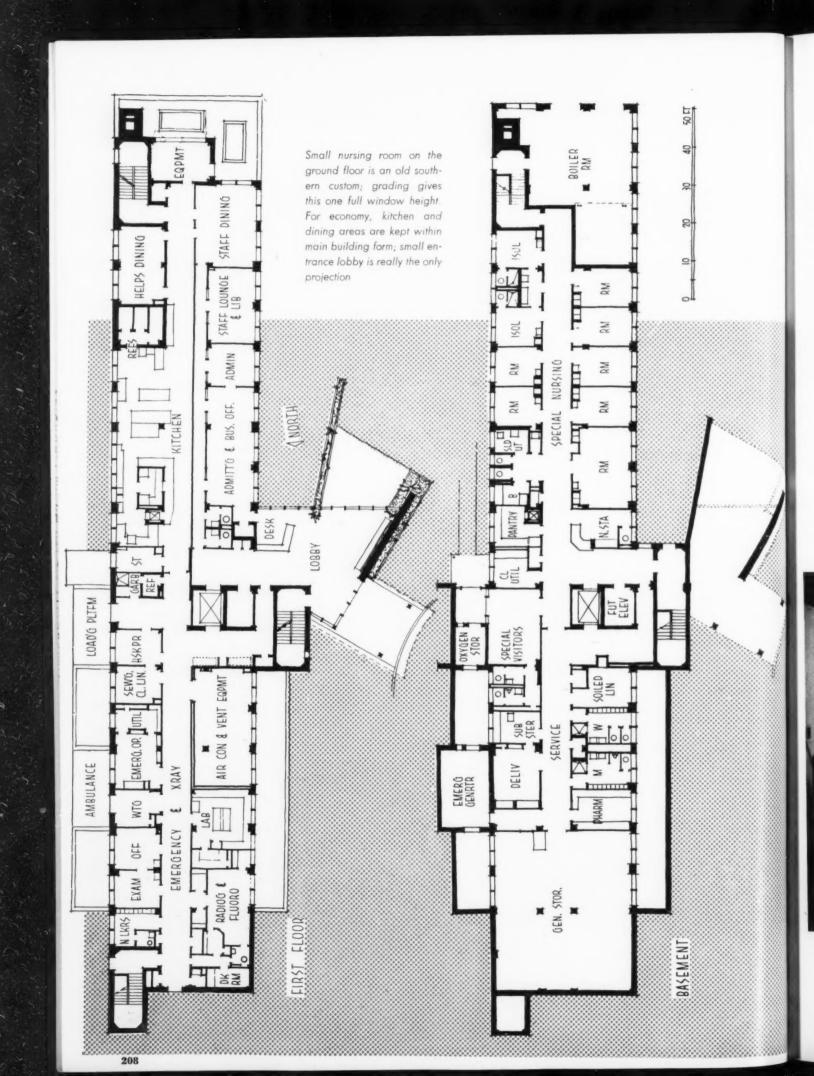
 ${f E}^{ ext{xpandability}}$ was one of the basic requirements for this hospital, with a little extra strain toward economy. The proposed expansion in this case is not large, from 70 to 100 beds, but the budget did not allow for heavy original outlay for equipment for the larger hospital, so the problem, in effect, was to get a 70-bed building with facilities for a 100-bed hospital, for little extra cost.

Costs for the finished building were given thus: project cost, \$791,131; cost per bed, \$11,465 including group 1

and 2 equipment; cubic foot cost, \$1.55. The land was a gift to the county for the hospital. These costs seem to indicate good overall economy, with a general compactness which shows in a fairly high cubic foot cost. The floor plans shows that this is true; all elements of the building, even including power plant, are kept within the simple form of the building, the corridor is double-loaded, and there are a great many bedrooms without toilet facilities. In general the economy urge did not lead to sacrificing any of the usual facilities in a

Desire for economy dictated simple, inexpensive furnishing and finishes, but materials were chosen also for minimum maintenance expense, since annual operating expenses frequently strain a hospital board even more than original fund raising





general hospital of high standard, but some economy was achieved by omitting a laundry, also a necropsy room, as it was planned for this type of work to be done elsewhere.

The same considerations also had some effect on the site development, as it was possible to save substantially by careful placing of the building on a fairly rough plot. Nevertheless, the location manages to give most of the bedrooms the desired southwest exposure, for the prevailing breeze and to keep the building away from traffic disturbances.

The economy requirement is not surprising, for the new building replaces an old hospital of only 25 beds, with inadequate facilities, especially in the surgical department. Tripling, and later quadrupling, its size gives a rough idea of how communities are tackling their needs for adequate hospital service.



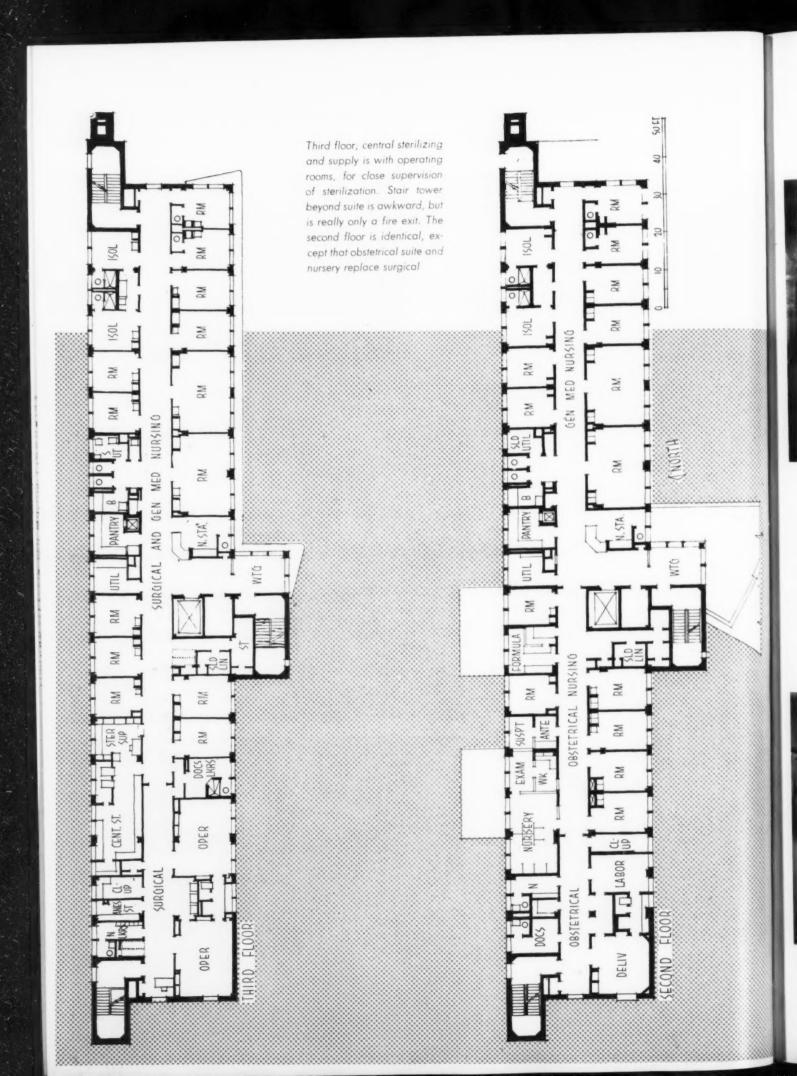
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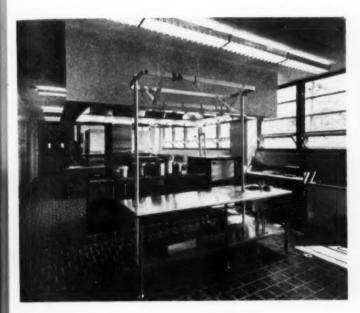
Above, right: nurses' station, looking toward visitors' room. Below and right: private room, four-bed ward and nursery













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Above kitchen is long and narrow, and, with first floor location, quite pleasarlt. Kitchen is large enough to serve 100-bed hospital, though there are now only 70 beds



Above: nurses' work room in connection with nursery (see second floor plan). Right: emergency operating room, first floor, has light-tight shades, strong artificial light



Below, left: central sterilizing room leads past the sterilizers, into sterile supply room; this suite is located with operating rooms. Below, right: scrub-up alcove between the two operating rooms, third floor







Above, right: while there is only one full-size delivery room, labor room can also be used for delivery



Above: central sterilizing department, as seen from sterile supply room. Below: major operating room







53-BED HOSPITAL THAT WILL GROW TO 75

St. Charles Hospital, Bend, Oregon John W. Maloney, Architect

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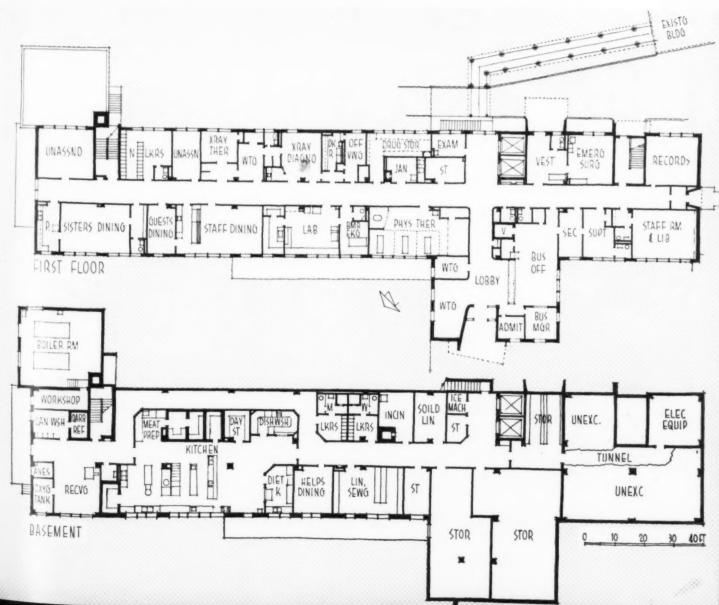
This 53-bed hospital is really a 75-bed scheme with one nursing floor omitted for the present. It connects now to an older building later to be removed; patients classified as medical are housed in the old building until a fourth floor can be added to the new hospital. The new building is complete — missing only laundry and morgue — and does not depend on the old building for any services; rather the patients in the existing building are served from the new.

The site being quite hilly, advantage of the grade was taken to give the kitchen end of the basement full window height, and to locate receiving dock at this level.

On the first floor, the little extension at the entrance provides extra space needed for lobby and offices, and gives exceptionally good control of visitors and incoming and outgoing patients. Separate emergency entrance and surgery are near elevators, but screened from view.

On the second floor, the surgical suite is conventional, with the possible exception that the fracture room also serves as one of the major operating rooms. Central sterilizing is convenient to the surgical department, also to the covered passage connecting to the old hospital. The location of the nurses' station, near the elevators but not central in the nursing unit itself, was the subject of some discussion; it was finally decided



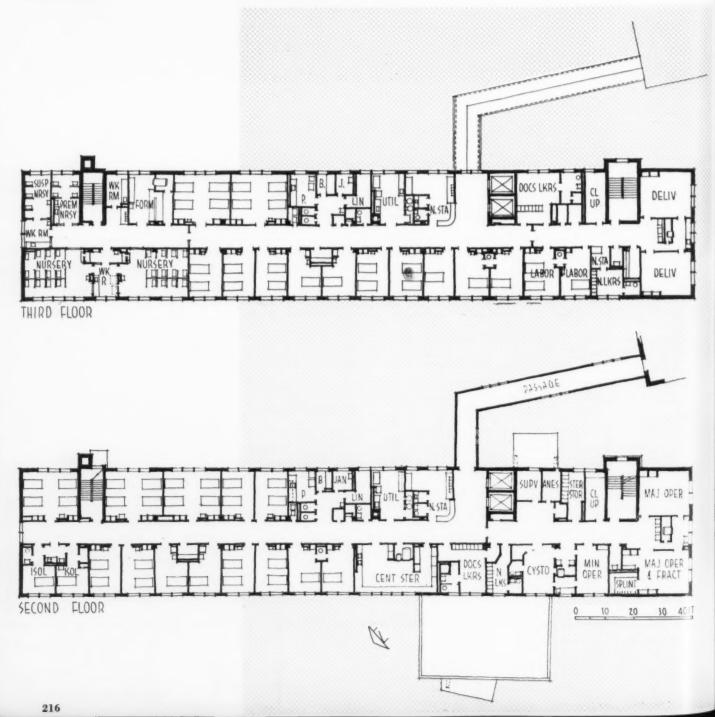




that control was more important here than convenience.

The third floor is similarly planned, except of course that this is the obstetrical and maternity floor. The nurseries follow the now-familiar plan of having the only entrance through the examination and work rooms, so that nobody need enter the nurseries except the nurses themselves.

Total construction costs were \$804,781. These work out to \$17.25 per sq ft; \$1.54 per cu ft; \$15,184 per bed.







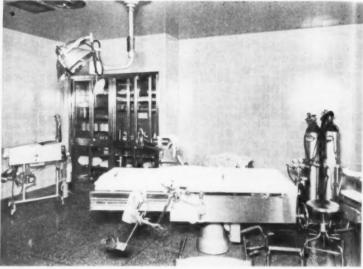
Left: typical private bedroom; Above: one of the nurseries, using the cubical system of protection. Below, left: kitchen on ground floor serves food to dining rooms above and to patient rooms through heated carts. Below, right: view of the central sterilizing department











Above, left: scrub-up alcove between delivery rooms at St. Charles Hospital. Above, right: one of the two delivery rooms (third floor). Below: one of the major operating rooms; the other, though for fracture work, is fully equipped for any surgery



19-BED HOSPITAL OF REMARKABLY LOW COST

Cozad Community Hospital, Cozad, Nebraska Frank N. McNett & Company, Architects

This hospital is an interesting example of the problems of designing the very small hospital. It was once said that nothing under 50 beds could really be called a "hospital," as it could not be fully equipped and staffed for real hospital service and care. Yet here is one of but 19 beds (two more bedrooms have been added since this plan was drawn) with full-size operating room, separate delivery room, sterilizing, X-ray, laboratory, emergency room. The architect's problem was to meet the Federal insistence on standards of equipment and facilities, and yet to stay within a tiny budget.

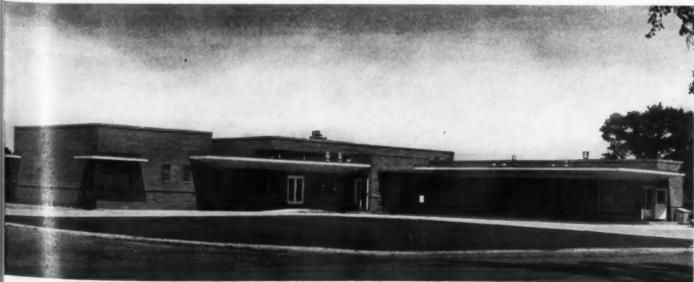
This he has done by keeping the plan very compact, by keeping cubages down to minimums, by tucking things into corners. And yet most bedrooms have at least connecting toilets. Also the organization of hospital departments has been maintained, and separations are generally clear, although in one or two places the space must do double duty.

The hospital was built for the remarkably low cost of \$144,585, not including equipment. Usable area totals 9262, cubic content 168,492.



A minimum hospital on a minimum budget, this one still gives full hospital care, not forgetting out-patient clinic



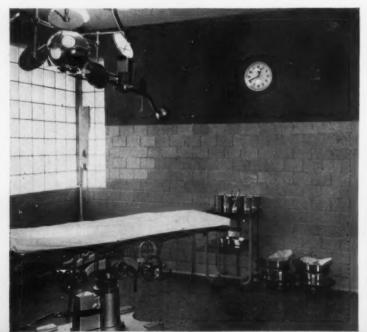


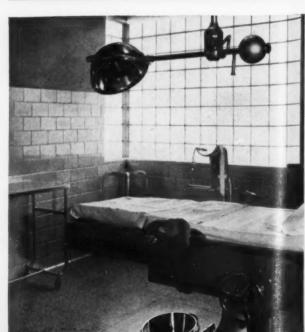


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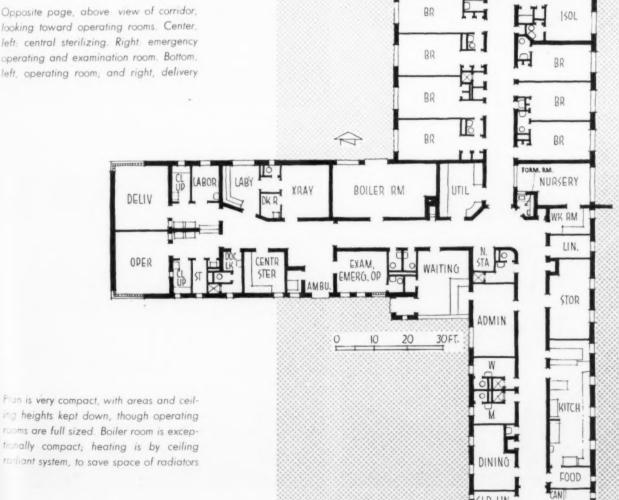








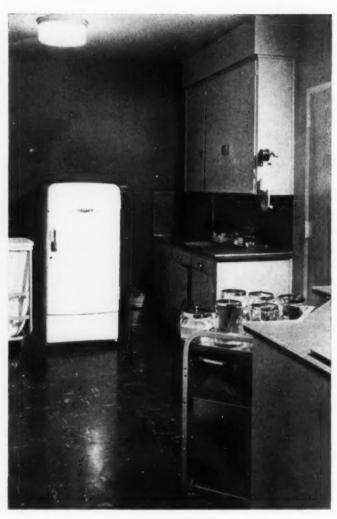
Opposite page, above view of corridor, looking toward operating rooms. Center, left: central sterilizing. Right: emergency operating and examination room. Bottom, left, operating room; and right, delivery



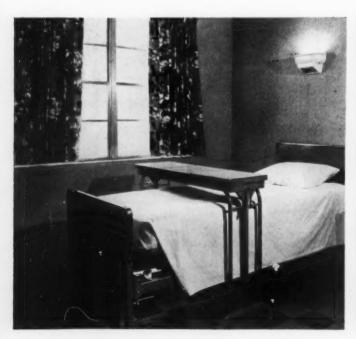
Right: utility room of Cozad Hospital is one of the areas not kept to minimum. Below: corridor is kept to narrowest possible, but manages tile for full wainscot



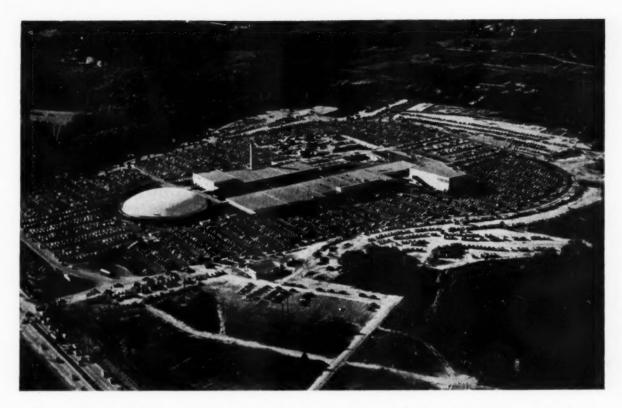
Below: bedrooms are minimal in area, and ceiling heights are low. Ceiling radiant heat saves space of radiators



Vieregg Studio







Shoppers' World at Framingham, Mass., an outstanding example of regional shopping centers, seen at peak parking demand. Additional land in reserve could more than double present parking. Architects: Ketchum, Gina & Sharp

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IN SHOPPING CENTERS

PART 1 PARKING

How it affects traffic engineering, the site plan and store design *
By Kenneth C. Welch, A.I.A., and Bruno Funaro, A.I.A.

In a shopping center which depends mostly on customers coming by automobile, the design of the parking area—which may have to be so large as to cover more than 80 per cent of the site—is not only a matter of traffic engineering, but is closely integrated with the site plan and the design of the stores proper. This article will be mostly concerned with the latter aspects of parking design.

How Much Parking?

Question number one in the mind of the developer of a new shopping center is "How large should the parking area be?" An answer to this question, even in the nature of an approximate estimate, is essential before any center can be planned.

Insufficient parking will prevent a

shopping center from reaching the maximum productivity. The merchant who wishes to produce his maximum possible December sales (at which time he makes an important proportion of his annual profit) must be able to take care of all the customers who come at that time.

Evidently, when land is abundant and cheap, it is safer to provide parking in excess of the demand rather than to risk curbing the productivity of the stores because of parking deficiency. The question "how much parking" can, in effect, be divided into three different questions:

- How much parking will be required at the weekly peaks (which generally occur on Saturday mornings or on those nights on which the stores stay open late)?
- 2. How much parking will be required at the peak of the Christmas shopping and of special events?
- How much parking in excess of the current needs should be provided

to meet future increases in parking demand which may be due to increased productivity of the stores, changes in shopping habits, and expansion of the stores?

The reason for three separate questions lies in the fact that we are actually dealing with three physically distinct areas. The parking area which is normally used every week requires paving, lighting and landscaping in quite a different manner than the area reserved for overflow parking which is used only on few occasions during the whole year. The land earmarked for future expansion could be kept unimproved until the demand for it seems imminent.

Realistic answers to these questions can be obtained only from the observation of the actual performance of shopping centers which have been in operation for a number of years. The new large regional centers will undoubtedly provide useful data. So far, whatever data are available from them are incomplete and often misleading because these centers have been open for too

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short a period and have not yet reached their full productivity. However, some statements of a general nature can be made safely.

The parking demand, with its weekly and seasonal fluctuations, has been found to follow a very similar pattern in centers similar in size and types of stores. Differences in parking demand can be traced back to foreseeable causes (like extent of public transportation, prevailing types of stores, size of the center).

For a good-sized suburban regional center (of about 500,000 sq ft gross store area), depending almost entirely on shoppers coming by private car, with at least one, perhaps more, department stores, the maximum demand during a typical week will probably have a parking index of 5 (see table this page); during seasonal peaks it can rise to 10 or more. An index of 15 should be pro-

plan. It is evident that the more the parking area is increased, the further it stretches away from the stores, until it will reach a distance, beyond which, its value as parking becomes nil. How far the parking field can extend away from the buildings and still be useful will depend on a variety of circumstances, including the eagerness of the shopper, the state of the weather, and what is offered by other centers within the region.

For design purposes, let us assume 400 ft as the maximum parking distance from the outer fringe of the parking area to the stores, for regular (everyday) parking, and 650 ft (3 minutes walk) as the maximum distance for the overflow parking — a distance which may have to be walked only on very rare occasions. Then as an example, let us take the shopping center mentioned before and translate it into a diagram-

into a multi-level design. The parking belt has an area of 1,440,000 sq ft and holds approximately 4000 cars (counting 360 ft of gross area per space). The parking index is, therefore, 8.

Since this type of site plan — with the parking area all around the stores — provides the largest amount of parking within an established distance from the buildings, the index of 8 seems to be about the top that can be reached for a shopping center of this size, if the assumed 400 ft maximum distance is to be maintained. If the parking area can be extended on all four sides, it would take an additional belt 210 ft deep to provide the additional spaces needed to reach the index of 15.

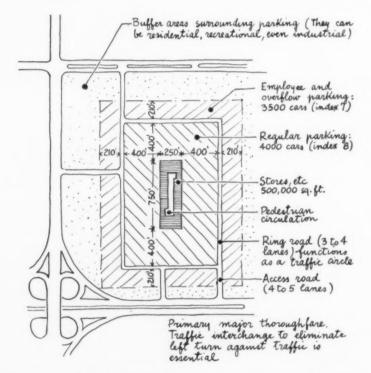
This example shows that often the geometry of the site may be the determining factor of the relation between parking, access roads and buildings. If, however, the parking index which should be reached in order to achieve maximum store productivity, calls for a more extensive parking area than can be reasonably placed within the site, it will be necessary either to build multi-story parking structures or to resort to a shuttle-bus service, both of which add to operating expense.

Circulation in the Parking Area

The shopper should be able to find her (or his) way around easily without any previous study of the site. The

PARKING INDEX

The most generally accepted parking index for a shopping center is expressed by the number of car spaces per 1000 sq ft of gross operating floor area of the stores (this includes the floor area of basements, mezzanines and upper stores, but excludes the service area outside of the stores like boiler rooms and freight tunnels). For example, a center with 200,000 sq ft of gross store area and with 1500 parking spaces has a parking index of 7.5 $(\frac{1500}{200} = 7.5)$.



Theoretical plan for a regional shopping center shows how the geometry of the site can be a limiting factor in the development of the parking area

vided for a properly balanced center—which sells 85 per cent shopping goods and which depends over 95 per cent on automobile transportation—when this has reached a 90 per cent of top productivity.

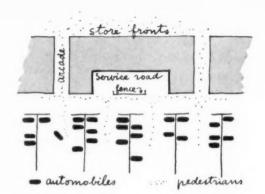
Geometrics of the Site Plan

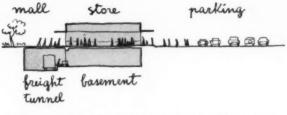
Excessive emphasis on the extent of parking may become meaningless unless the parking can be fitted into the site matic plan, with the stores grouped around a landscaped mall. The average number of floors for the stores is three (including partial basements and upper stories). The gross store area is 500,000 sq ft.

All around the store buildings there will be a parking belt 400 ft deep. This is the maximum amount of regular parking that can be placed around that store group if we do not want to go

most satisfactory pattern consists of parallel parking bins perpendicular to the stores with a major feeder road or ring road at the end of the bins away from the stores.

This road should provide continuous circulation on the site — i.e. to act as a traffic circle. Access to the stores by vehicles should be limited to circulation to arcade and key store entrances, parcel pick-up stations, etc., for the pur-





When store fronts are on the opposite side of the parking area (left), shoppers walking from cars to stores must take a circuitous route. A freight tunnel at the basement level (above) would make store fronts possible on both sides, but the cost might be difficult to justify

pose of picking up passengers. Other circulation adjacent to stores should be discouraged in plan. In this way minimum interference between vehicles and pedestrians is assured. A two-way circulation to the bins is desirable.

Demounted shoppers can walk easily along the bins from cars to stores. When the bins are not longer than 400 ft, there will be surprisingly very little traffic in each one of them even when the parking area is in full of activity. Raised walks between cars are generally undesirable. The shoppers would rather walk on the wide pavement of the bins than on a narrow walk between car fenders. In the north, raised walks are also an obstacle to snow removal. Instead of using walks it would be better to add this space to the width of the bins.

After having walked along the bin, the shoppers cross the road running along the side of the stores (curb parking should be avoided) and are ready to enter the stores — that is, if the entrances of the stores are there. A simple pattern of stores with their fronts facing the parking area (front parking) is undoubtedly the best for directness of access to the stores, but is obviously only suitable for the neighborhood center made up of convenience goods stores.

Shopping goods stores demand maximum ease of pedestrian access between stores. This is the feature that has always made them successful in the downtown district — the only shopping goods center heretofore.

There are, basically, two ways to solve this problem: the first is to lead the shoppers to areades which pierce through the store building. These areades have to be frequent enough so that the customers are not forced into an extended walk along the service yards of the stores—shielded as they may be by planting or fences and livened with directional signs and advertisements.

The arcades on the other hand,

should not be too frequent because, while they provide access to smaller, shallower shops and services, they do constitute a structure which is not productive as such, and hence affect the economic picture. If they are too far apart, they obviously increase walking distances from parked car to store.

The second way is to provide a servicing passage underground or below the parking level leading to the great majority of stores at basement level. It is more costly but under certain conditions justified.

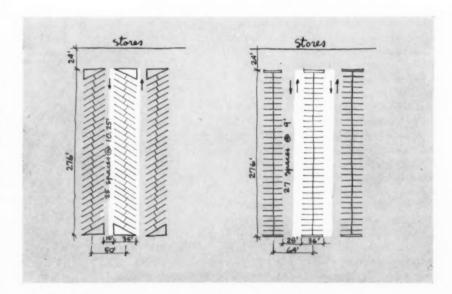
Care must be used, in the type of shopping center shown and described here, not to detract too much from a

What Angle Parking?

The accompanying diagrams illustrate why the authors are generally in favor of the 90 degree pattern — because this combines economy of space with extra wide bins suitable for two-way circulation, elimination of expensive curbs, improved sight lines and hence, greater safety.

Parking Analyses for Better Forecasts

Now that a few large planned shopping centers are already in operation—and many more are expected to follow—there is going to be the opportunity to check with actual parking surveys many



Although 90 degree parking with two-way traffic takes slightly more space per car than 60 degree parking with one-way traffic (295 sq ft as compared with 276 sq ft), 90 degree parking is preferable. Cars can move in both directions, and sight lines are improved

concentration of common pedestrian traffic on the interior common area, nor to complicate the operation of some types of stores wherein a two-front entrance can be detrimental. This system, with a greater number of stores which can use two fronts, makes it possible to reduce the number of entrance arcades. of the theoretical assumptions of the past. It is hoped that some form of standard procedure for parking analyses may be generally adopted so that traffic data collected in independent surveys may be easily compared and different trends may be evaluated. As an example of how this particular type of survey can

be handled, we outline the principal subjects which have been investigated in the course of traffic surveys for shopping centers made by Larry Smith & Co., real estate consultants and Victor Gruen, architect.

1. Traffic Count at Entrances. The number of cars entering and leaving each entrance is plotted for every half-hour period during a whole week. Since the activity of a shopping center has a weekly cycle, any complete investigation has to cover the span of a week. Comparison of data collected during different weeks throughout the year will in turn reveal the character of the seasonal fluctuations. It is possible, also, but taking the count at what might be considered an average time, to estimate through a comparison of daily sales the amount of parking space which would be required at the peaks.

2. Parking Accumulation. From the traffic count at the gates, it is possible to determine the number of cars which are within the parking area during each half-hour period. These figures reveal the pattern of fluctuation of the parking demand during the week and may assist in forecasting when auxiliary parking or other special measures may have to be

provided.

3. Parking Lot Turnover. This is obtained by dividing the number of cars which have entered the parking area during the whole day by the maximum number of stalls used during that day.

Turnover and accumulation are an index of the shopping habits of the region. In a shopping center which has both convenience and shopping goods, there may be periods of greater turnover due to intensive short-time convenience shopping, and periods of great accumulation but less turnover when shopping is mostly for shopping goods.

- 4. Duration of Parking. Separate counts are taken in different areas of the parking lot to determine the relationship between duration of parking and the character of the adjacent stores. At certain seasons it is possible to make an aerial photographic record of the use of the parking area which can be tied in with the traffic count.
- 5. Automobile Occupancy (in men, women and children). This will give a better knowledge of the shopping habits of the region. The number of persons per car is definitely greater in a suburban center, appealing to the whole family: on open nights the occupancy will certainly exceed two.

PART 2 THE PARCEL PICK-UP SERVICE

Prepared by Kenneth C. Welch, Bruno Funaro and the editors of ARCHITECTURAL RECORD

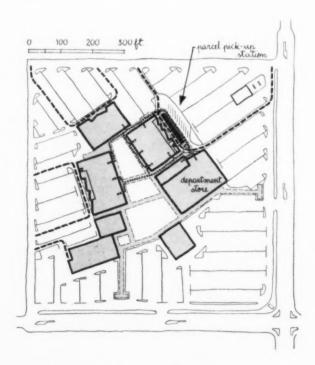
Packages are transported to customers' cars by a number of systems ranging from pushcarts to long, underground conveyors

N SHOPPING CENTERS some system is desirable which will encourage the customer to take parcels home in his own car, even with items as large as card tables or small chairs. A system which transports parcels from the store to the customer's car makes shopping easier and can cut down the store's overhead.

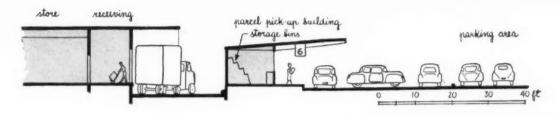
If the shopping center is to reach its maximum sales potential, the customer must want to shop even during the busiest times. He will be more inclined to do so when he can park wherever there is an available spot, shop where he pleases, have his purchases deposited at a parcel pick-up station, and then drive to the pick-up station to get them.

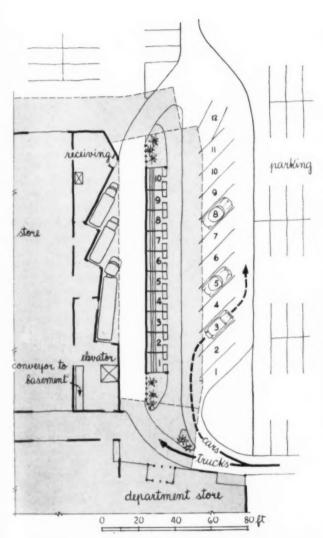
One way this can be done is illustrated here in the drawings for a proposed shopping center in Toledo, Ohio (also AR. Mar. 1951), designed for maximum ease of pedestrian contact between stores.

Parcel pick-up systems are a fairly new idea, and so are not very numerous. They have been used more in supermarkets than for stores dealing in apparel, home furnishings and durable goods. Packages from supermarkets are large in number and are always taken home, so a parcel pick-up arrangement can effect quite a savings in personnel who ordinarily would take the groceries out to cars. Examples are shown on page 228.



The parcel pick-up station for a proposed Toledo shopping center is next to the department store. Clerks' or customers' travel for taking packages to the pick-up station is indicated by dots; truck travel by dashes. The three buildings in the lower half are, left to right, a supermarket, drug store and restaurant. The remaining stores sell convenience and shopping goods and are only a short distance from the pick-up station. Details of the parcel pick-up station are across page





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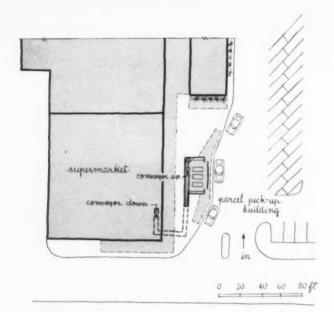
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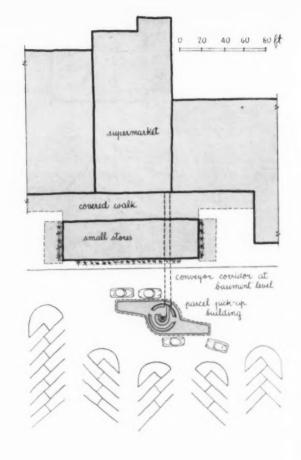
At Wieboldts in Evanston, III., the customer leaves her purchase at a Customer Package Desk. Then the package is taken by pushcart across the street to a pick-up station on one of the two levels of the parking garage. The customer has a check with a key number and a plastic card with the last three digits of the check number on it. The customer sticks the plastic card under his windshield wiper and the attendants get the packages ready as she approaches

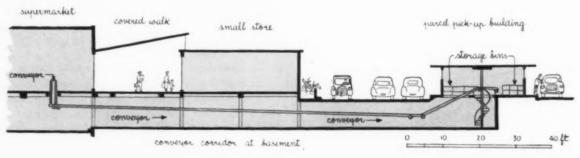
Above. How the pick-up station works. The customer takes, or the store sends, the backages to the parcel pick-up building. Each package has attached to it a detached portion of the customers claim check. The claim check would be numbered and perhaps colored. Packages would be left at the bin having the number that appears as the last digit on the claim check, and the sign at the bin would be the same color as the claim check. Cars can drive in and out without interference with other cars. Shaded area is covered. Kenneth C. Welch, Architect





Parcel pick-up station for the Kroger Co. (above) has an underground conveyor, "U" shaped because of the proximity of the pick-up station to the store. The Jewel Food Store (right and below) has a straight conveyor. Both stores are at the Evergreen Park Shopping Plaza in Chicago. Howard T. Fisher and Associates, Inc., Architects & Engineers, Holabird & Root & Burgee, Architect-Engineer







Conveyor system at Jewel Food Store in Park Forest, III.



Boys Market, Los Angeles, has bins for leaving carts

A NEW APPROACH TO SAFETY OF BUILDINGS

By Paul Weidlinger*

The author discusses the potentialities of statistical methods for estimating the safety of a structure. He points out that the real measure is not the factor of safety, but the probability of failure From the Code of Hammurabi (Circa 1250 B.C.)
". . . If a builder build a house for a man and do not make its construction firm, and the house which he has built collapse and cause the death of the owner of the house, that builder shall be put to death . . ."

THE REAL TEST of the underlying assumptions of a structural design is not in the performance under the design load, but in the failure of the structure. A building may be designed under wrong premises, with mistaken methods, and nevertheless may (and very often does), due to fortuitous circumstances, perform adequately for many years, and for many reasons.

The only completely reliable way to test any one structure would be to destroy it and thereby determine its load-carrying capacity over and above the design load. Since this, admittedly, is not a practical means of assuring the safety of our buildings, structural analysis is employed in engineering design. But all not fully empirical methods require two decisions:

- 1. The choice of a suitable hypothesis as to the behavior of the structure.
- A rational judgment or a measure of the expected deviations of the real structure from its idealized counterpart on which the analysis is performed.

Both of these points necessarily lead to fundamental considerations. Thus, hypotheses are constantly revised in light of new experiences and sharper or more exact methods of experiments.

Unfortunately these revisions usually involve more complex and cumbersome methods, and the justification of their use in engineering to obtain added precision is thus debatable.

Also, the question of reliability of classical theories reproducing the behavior of the real structure inevitably enters into any judgment of the safety of the structure itself, which leads to the second of the above points. The fact that our assumptions as to the behavior of materials, structures and occurrence of service loads are less than

well-founded is apparent in the use of factors of safety in practically all engineering designs. Any attempt to measure or even estimate such uncertainties involves, consciously or otherwise, some applications of the theory of probability.

The results obtained through it in many fields (insurance, for example) have made it probably one of our most efficient tools of scientific analysis.

In view of this, any discussion of safety factors would be incomplete, or even meaningless, without considering the theory of probability which, in spite of philosophical connotations, is an understandable and quite practical subject, as will be shown in a few simple examples. The purpose is not to develop a rational method of determining safety factors, but to provide an insight of its effect on the performance and other aspects of structures.

Definition of Factor of Safety

The factor of safety is a fraction denoting the ratio between the maximum loadcarrying capacity and the design load. If the maximum capacity, or resistance is more than the design load, then this fraction is larger than one (structure safe); if the resistance is less than the design load, the fraction becomes less than one (structure unsafe). Instead of maximum load-carrying capacity and design load, other quantities characteristic to the performance may be used. It might be more practical to relate the service conditions, not to the ultimate characteristic, but to some other limitation corresponding to the useful or service limit of the structure.

The need for a factor of safety larger than one has never been questioned, due to the inherent imperfections, errors, uncertainties and ignorance of all human endeavors, from which structural engineers are not exempt. Both the numerator and denominator of the fraction representing the factor of safety are subject to fluctuation. These fluctua-

tions are due to simultaneous variations of many components:

- Uncertainty in the live load assumptions.
- 2. Errors in dead load computations.
- 3. Uncertainty or ignorance as to the physical characteristics of materials.
- Imperfections or inadequacy of assumptions and methods of stress analysis.
- 5. Imperfections of workmanship in the execution of the design.

These components may cause, in two different ways, a reduction of safety:

- (a) Through decrease of the load-bearing capacity (because of the lower performance of the materials than was assumed).
- (b) Through increase of the computed stresses or strains above the actually existing values (because of increase of the loads over those assumed, or because the values given by stress analysis are less than the ones actually existing).

The true factor of safety, therefore, differs from the nominal value by the extent of the above variations. And this factor of safety, which incorporates all predictable unfavorable variations, cannot be less than one in a safe structure.

Actual Safety Factors

Considering actual numerical values connected with safety factors, the mistaken notion that all ordinary structures are designed with very large safety factors can be dispelled. Actual facts contradict such statements: the working stress used in steel structures is, for instance, 1.75 times that of the yield point strength of the steel.

But this does not mean that such members are 1.75 times as strong as they are supposed to be. This will only happen if the capacity of the actual structure corresponds exactly to the

^a This article is based on excerpts from a chapter of a book Mr. Weidlinger is now writing to be published by F. W. Dodge Corporation.

design assumptions. In a simple practical example, the implication can be observed:

A 1 by 1 in. steel tension bar will support 10 tons with a factor of safety of 1.75. This means that if the yield strength and the dimensions of the bar are exactly as specified, it will support 17.5 tons before a permanent deformation will occur. But this also means that if the bar were fabricated to a size of V_8 in. square instead of 1 in. square (an error of only 15 per cent), and the load happens to be 27 per cent higher than was estimated, then failure will occur. It can be seen that these figures show no relationship to the safety factor of 1.75.

With advancing technology in the production of building materials and improved design methods, it seems only natural that the safety factors employed should be correspondingly reduced. There is always a certain lag between such improvements and the corresponding revisions in building codes. A case in point is structural steel. The strength characteristics of this material have improved so rapidly that during a certain period before codes were finally revised a higher factor of safety was used than in earlier times.

In view of such anomalies, it has become the mark of any progressive architect or engineer to criticize building codes, and especially safety factors, as being archaic. While such criticism is often justified, the argument used to

support it is, in most instances, equally antiquated.

The question boils down to what is actually meant by the factor of safety. As long as it is regarded as some sort of a measure of the actual safety of our structures, such criticisms can produce no fruitful conclusions.

Probability of Failure

The preceding discussion might have helped to clarify the purpose of the factor of safety or may have only brought into focus some of the complexities of the problem, but it could not tell anything about how big the safety factor should be. At the present time the factors of safety for various materials, types of structures and loading may vary anywhere between 1.3 and 10. They are based on the past experiences and judgment of competent engineers.

The meaning of a given factor of safety is quite nebulous. A factor of 2, for instance, does not mean that a structural element will break or reach its service limit if the design load is doubled. Depending on the chance fluctuation of components it may take considerably more or less than double of its design value.

The real measure of safety of a structure is not the magnitude of the factor of safety but the numerical value of its probability of failure. This is actually recognized even in our present day practice, through the use of various factors of safety for different parts of the same structure or for different types of stresses.

This practice seems to contradict the basic common sense rule that the chain is only as strong as its weakest link. What is the use of making some links in structures weaker than others? The answer lies that in the judgment of the designer (or authors of building codes), the chance of failure is less for some elements than for others.

The cables of suspension bridges, for instance, are made of very carefully controlled materials, so the actual stress can be calculated with greatest of precision. The probability of failure of the cables therefore is less than that of any other main structural element of the bridge. For this reason a lower factor of safety is used in the design of the cable than in other parts.

In terms of the factor of safety, the cable is the weakest link in the whole bridge; in terms of probability of failure, it is probably the strongest.

If the probability of failure is the more rational measure of safety, then the question arises as to the suitable value which should be assigned to it. While a certain factor of safety does not tell anything about the actual safety of a building, the fraction expressing the probability of failure at least permits an estimate.

Mathematical Probability

Mathematical probability is a fraction which can vary between zero and one.

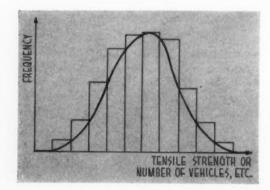
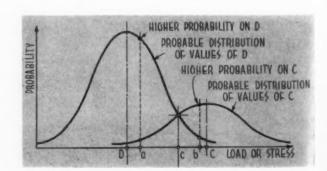


Fig 1. Frequently with a large collection of data, specific numerical values tend to occur more often than other ones. Their distribution can be represented on a "distribution curve." For example, such curves can be drawn for the tensile strength of steel, or for the number of trucks counted in a total number of vehicles passing over a certain bridge

Fig 2. In the design of a particular structure, the values selected for the design load and the load-carrying capacity might in actuality be slightly different due to various inaccuracies. If sufficient statistical data were available on other structures of the same type, it would be possible to plot distribution curves for the design load "D" and the load-carrying capacity "C". Under ideal conditions, the load would be at "D" and the load-carrying capacity at "C." If a failure occurs at "a," there has been overloading, if at "b," the material is at fault, if at "c," it is equally probable that either cause may be at fault.



This fraction expresses the probability of the occurrence of an event, whether it will occur one out of 10 times, one out of 1000, etc.

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A probability of one means the certainty of occurrence of an event and zero means the impossibility. In applying this to the safety of structures one endeavors, naturally, to obtain a value very close to zero for the probability of failure.

A complete certainty is impossible to obtain, not only in structural design, but in all human activities based on inferences. The best which can be done is to determine the probability of failure and employ the most careful methods of execution.

Marcel Prot, a French engineer, points out that the probability of fatal accidents lies generally between 0.1 and 0.0000001 and adds that experience shows that a chance of 0.0000001, i.e., one in ten million, is considered completely negligible "... even if such accident should cost us our life ...!"

There are only few instances at the present time where it is possible to estimate the probability of failure of structures because of the lack of the necessary statistical data.

The establishing of a desirable value for the probability of failure does not need to be based on a moral judgment of justification of fatal accidents. More compelling economical considerations usually decide or influence this choice.

It is clear that any attempt to predict or estimate the probability of failure of a structure requires the availability and rational interpretation of data which are relevant to the behavior of the structure. There are only a few instances at the present time where this is possible because of the lack of such data.

The structural engineer is interested in the average and maximum load which will be applied on a building during its lifetime, and in the average and maximum strength of the materials which are used in it. All these data are (or should be) determined on the basis of observations.

In many instances a large collection of such data exhibit certain tendencies—specific numerical values tend to occur more often than other ones. Their distribution can be graphically represented in the so-called distribution curve. Such curves can be drawn, for instance, for the tensile strength of steel (Fig. 1), or for the number of trucks counted in a total number of vehicles passing over a certain bridge and for most similar types of observations.

Most such curves exhibit a more or less pronounced peak for certain groups. These groups are the ones which will occur most frequently. The uniformity of the group is an important characteristic and is expressed by the dispersion of the observed values around the peak of the curve.

The measure of the dispersal is the "standard deviation" which is the horizontal distance from the peak to the point from where the dispersal becomes more pronounced.

In light of the above discussion and terminology, the factor of safety can be redefined. The capacity C and the design load D are mean values of collected data which would be found at the peaks of distribution curves on capacities and design loads. The fluctuations of C and D will depend on the standard deviations corresponding to the distribution curves of C and D.

Let us assume that it were possible in a given case to represent the distribution of the various values of the capacity and of design loads in two curves drawn on a common coordinate axis (Fig 2). Assuming that the capacity is proportional to the ultimate stress and the design load to the working stress, then the horizontal axis gives the various stresses in pounds per square inch and the vertical axis measures the probability (or the frequency) of the occurrence of such stresses.

As can be seen on the graph, the stress corresponding to the peak of the design stress (load) is less than that corresponding to the ultimate stress (load-carrying capacity), as would be normally the case.

Under ideal conditions the ultimate stress of the material will be exactly at C and the actual stress, due to service loads, exactly at D. If, however, failure occurs then the ultimate stress and the actual stress will coincide at the moment of failure. This might happen at any value of the stresses due to some unfortunate coincidence of variations enumerated earlier.

Let us consider three different values of the failure stress located on the horizontal axis of the graph at the points a, b and c. For each of these cases certain conclusions can be drawn:

If failure occurs at "a," then it could be attributed to overloading since the existence of an ultimate stress of this value is more probable (or frequent) than the occurrence of an overstressing at the same value.

If failure occurs at point "b," then the opposite situation exists, and it should be attributed to the material.

Finally, if the failure occurs at "c," then it can be attributed neither to material failure nor to overloading, since the existence of this stress is equally probable for both the ultimate value and the actual stress.

Through the application of statistical methods, it can be shown that the probability of failure is a function of two sets of variables:

- (1) The difference between the values of C and D, and
- (2) The standard deviations of C and D.

The first statement is equivalent to the classical concept of safety, since it means that the probability of failure depends on the difference between capacity and service load.

The second statement introduces the statistical concept, inasmuch as it states that the probability of failure is also influenced by the fluctuation of the values of C and D. This means that the safety of the structure also depends on the quality control of the materials used, the precision of the design, etc.

Safety of Structures

Most of our structures are made up of many component parts, or, at least, their strength characteristics are determined by a large number of small effects. Typical in this respect is a cable of many strands or laminated wood. Lumber is ordinarily not free from localized defects which reduce its strength.

If such a member is sliced into thinner sections and these are again reassembled in a random manner and glued together, then the probability of the coincidence of all imperfections in the same vertical section of the member will be smaller than some other more favorable arrangement (Fig 3 a, b, c). It has been estimated that under certain conditions, 8 to 10 laminations will justify an increase of 100 per cent in the working stresses in laminated members over the solid section.

The service load applied to structures exhibits similar properties. The critical loading, i.e., one that produces maximum stress or strain in a given part of a structure, is usually a combination of a number of loadings in a specific pattern. In structures made up of a large number of components with many possible patterns of loading, the probability of occurrence of the critical loading is smaller than that of less patterns.

This can be seen in considering the columns of a multi-story building. The

maximum load on the first floor column will exist if all floors above it are loaded. This loading pattern, with all floors loaded, is only one of many other possibilities, any of which will produce a lesser load on the column than the first mentioned one. This can become rapidly a very high number with increasing number of floors; if there are 8 floors, there are 255 possibilities; with 20 floors, 1,948,575 possibilities; with 64 floors, the number of possibilities has 20 digits. This fact is recognized in most building codes which do not require the lower columns of multi-story buildings to be designed for the full loading of all floors above it.

Generally, the larger the number of small effects of a structure which make up its strength characteristics, the lesser will be the probability of failure.

There is, however, a second important fact favoring the structural engineer. This has to do with the difference between the assumed and actual behavior of our building materials. It has been said that the only reason why we are able to design our structures is that we are permitted to assume that they behave elastically (deformations are proportional to the stress) and the only reason for their remaining undamaged is their unelastic behavior.

This facetious opinion is uncomfortably close to the truth. Ordinary structures are designed on basis of classical structural theories, the assumption of which is, in all instances, that the building materials are ideally elastic and after removal of loads the deformations disappear.

These assumptions are necessary to permit the application of relatively simple methods of analysis, but they have only a limited relationship to the actual behavior of materials. In reality, the elastic behavior is obtained only for a certain limited range of stresses which are below those which would exist at the moment of failure.

The mechanics of the failure itself have not been entirely clarified for all types of materials, but it is clear that at failure only very few are truly elastic. As a matter of fact, many of our structural materials show a more or less marked plastic behavior (permanent deformation) at high stresses and strains. This behavior changes the initial statical and geometrical configuration of the structure, and therefore the initial assumptions as to the distribution and magnitude of stresses become meaningless.

This can be observed especially in

statically indeterminate structures (a girder fixed at both ends, for example) which, at high loads, due to the formation of "plastic hinges," are transformed into determinate structures. With the girder fixed at both ends, due to yielding at the supports (i.e., formation of plastic hinges), the structure is transformed gradually into a simply supported girder. During the course of this transformation, due to the redistribution of stresses at a certain stage, the actual load-bearing capacity may be above that of the original member.

In materials which undergo workhardening during this process the relationships are more complex. In either case, however, the structure at the range of failure does behave differently from the assumed elastic state. Such differences account for the higher load-carrying ability than predicted by the elastic theory.

A significant advance, taking into account the above considerations, is the theory of limit design. As the name implies, it takes into account the limit of strength of the members to be designed, recognizing, however, that this limit is reached at the unelastic range of the material. Investigations of structural members based on the limit design theory require some revisions of traditional concepts as to their safety.

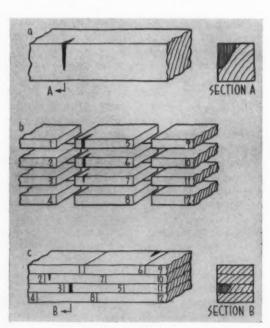
Conclusions

The design of structures needs to be based on scientific and rational methods, and such methods are available. They have been successfully employed by outstanding engineers in the past and in the present. However, this cannot be shown with respect to safety factors. The rational and scientific methods are available or are constantly being developed, but the pertinent statistical information which should be the basis of their applications are sadly lacking. In view of this, one cannot even rationally answer the question: are our buildings overdesigned? The facts prove only that our buildings are not "under-designed" since fatal accidents are relatively rare.

Thanks to the theoreticians, original designing and daring engineering progress are being made in spite of the lack of objective information. Time and again the faith of these pioneers is shattered by the spectacular collapse of structures which, however, gives an added impetus to further research and revision of some basic concepts.

Barring these extreme experiences, a clearer understanding of the meaning of the safety of structures and the knowledge of the factors which influence it will necessarily result in better engineering.

Fig 3. With laminated wood la number of thin slices of larger pieces, reassembled and glued back together it has been estimated that under certain conditions, 8 to 10 laminations will justify an increase of 100 per cent in the working stresses as compared with a solid section



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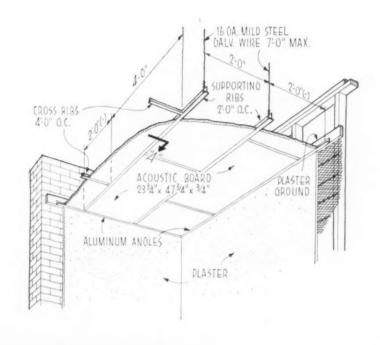
A cooperative venture undertaken by four manufacturers working closely with a client to help solve his particular problem has developed into a flexible coordinated system for suspended ceilings which is now being marketed on a nationwide scale.

When the Blue Diamond Company of Dallas, Tex., was seeking a new, simplified method for roofing supermarkets and similar areas, it called upon two of its suppliers, the Cupples Products Corporation and Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation, for help. Blue Diamond engineered a system employing extruded aluminum T-sections and acoustic board. Cupples helped develop a supporting grid system which can be put together, enlarged or reduced like an erector set, and Fiberglas furnished a special, thin and lightweight acoustic board in dimensions coordinated with the grid system. The scheme worked out so well that two lighting manufacturers, Day-Brite Lighting and the Miller Company, were called in to design recessed lighting fixtures which could be supported on the flanges of the grid's T-members without requiring additional support.

As it has now developed, the grid system can be spaced either 24 by 24 in. o.c. or 24 by 48 in. o.c. to accommodate two sizes of ceiling board in either regular or ashlar arrangements. The lighting layouts are extremely flexible, permitting a wide variety of patterns. Day-Brite fixtures are furnished in 2 by 2 ft and 2 by 4 ft units, while Miller fixtures are available in 2 by 4 ft and 2 by 8 ft

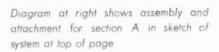
The Fiberglas ceiling board employed in the system is reported to provide an accombustible surface with a noise reduction coefficient of .75 and high thermal insulating value (.33 Btu for in. thick board). The board is available in two standard finishes, a white-painted, textured finish which may be repeatedly spray-painted for maintenance, and the new Sonofaced plastic film surface (reported in Architectural Record, August 1952, p. 248). The Sonofaced finished is reported to cost only about 10 cents more per sq ft than the regular board and provides a washable

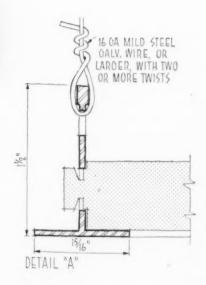
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Suspended ceiling system, shown in diagram above with acoustic board resting on flanges of extruded aluminum T-members. Left, workman installing acoustic panel in grid framework. Note suspension wires





LITERATURE FOR THE OFFICE

Air Infiltration Through Windows

Air Infiltration Through Weatherstripped and Non-Weatherstripped Windows, by C. E. Lund & W. E. Peterson. University of Minnesota Institute of Technology, Engineering Experiment Station Bulletin No. 35. Report discusses results of a three-year research program conducted by the University of Minnesota Engineering Experiment Station in Cooperation with the Weatherstrip Research Institute. Supplementing original studies carried on from 1924 to 1931, the report includes material related to improvements and changes in building construction during the past 20 years. Among the various factors dealt with in the booklet are the following: effect of crack and clearance in window fit: effect of groove clearance on weatherstrip; effect of weatherstripping; effect of locking windows; comparison of infiltration and exfiltration through windows; effect of sash shrinkage; effect of onepiece storm windows. Drawings and photographs of the equipment used in making the tests are included, together with performance tables and charts. 47 pp., illus. Weatherstrip Research Institute, Box 101 Riverside, Ill.

Color Scheme Files

Interior Color Suggestions For (1) Hospitals, (2) Hotels, (3) Industrial Plants, (4) Offices, (5) Schools. These five companion booklets, each with a handy file tab for quick identification, together form a reference file of color schemes for interior decoration of buildings in the enumerated categories. Each has an introduction dealing with special consideration and problems for the particular building type and a set of sheets with color samples. The samples illustrate three separate schemes ceiling, sidewall and accent, dado or base colors - for particular individual areas in each kind of structure. 92 pp., illus. Devoe and Raynolds Co., Inc., 787 First Ave., New York 17, N. Y.*



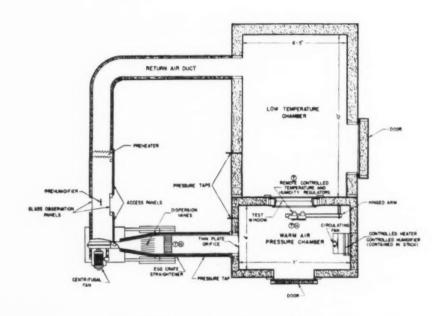


Diagram shows test apparatus used to determine air leakage through windows

Acid-Proof Materials

(1) Eonite Pipe and Fittings, Bulletin 139; (2) Acid Proof Construction, Bulletin 160; (3) Eonite Lacquer, Bulletin 190. Technical bulletins describe the manufacturer's acid-resistant materials for construction. The first deals with pipe and fittings designed to handle most mineral acids, alkalis and organic solvents. The second booklet discusses methods of constructing acid-resistant pickling and plating tanks; process tanks, vessels and towers; pickling and plating basins and floors. The third bulletin describes a coating for interior or exterior surfaces. 6 pp., 5 pp., 4 pp., all illus. Aqua-Therm, Inc., 37-53 N. Torrence St., Dayton 1, Ohio.

Aluminum Window Sash

Thermo-Sash. Brochure describes the features of the manufacturer's new aluminum window sash. Details of the different series are shown, as are examples of the various installations in which the sash may be employed. 8 pp., illus. Kesko Products, Inc., Bristol, Ind.

Remote-Control Dictating System

Edison TeleVoicewriter—The Televoice System. Brochure describes in detail a remote-controlled dictating system for institutional, commercial and industrial use. Informative text is accompanied by photographs of the various available models. Data on switchboards, wiring and wire sizes is also included, and diagrams illustrate typical installation details. 12 pp., illus. Thomas A. Edison, Inc., West Orange, N. J.

Prefinished Wallpanels

The Facts About Prefinished Wall-panels. Pocket-sized booklet has been designed to acquaint the reader with prefinished wallpanels — what they are, how they are used, how applied and where they may be obtained. Answers are furnished to questions frequently asked about this material. 8 pp. Prefinished Wallpanel Council, Keith Bldg.. Cleveland 15, Ohio.

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STRUCTURAL FORMS-8: Long Spans in Wood

By Seymour Howard, Architect, Instructor at Pratt Institute

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR CURVED MEMBERS

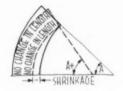
REDUCTION IN ALLOWABLE STRESS



EFFECT OF CHANGE IN MOISTURE CONTENT

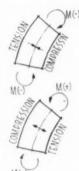


SWELLING causes decrease in angle between two adjacent cross sections



SHRINKAGE causes increase in angle; may create hollow at crown of 3-hinged arch

RADIAL STRESS
CAUSED BY BENDING OF CURVED
MEMBER



NEGATIVE MOMENT creates compressive radial stress, stress should not exceed allowable compressive stress perpendicular to grain

MAXIMUM RADIAL STRESS OCCURS ON CENTERLINE PLANE

 $Magnitude = \frac{3}{2} \frac{M}{Rbh}$

POSITIVE MOMENT creates tensile redial stress; stress should not exceed (soft woods) 1/3 allowable shear stress; (hardwoods) 3/4 allowable shear stress

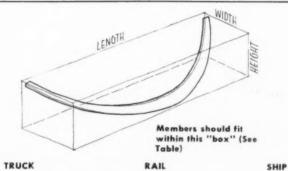
FABRICATION CONSIDERATIONS

Transportation clearances

The gluing of laminated wood members is not adaptable to normal job site conditions. Minimum glue pressures are about 100 lbs/ sq in. Clamping times, curing processes and temperatures must follow adhesive manufacturers' recommendations closely. Nailing instead of clamping for pressure is not permitted.

Therefore, laminated wood members are best produced in a factory under controlled conditions of humidity, temperature and cleanliness. The size of members is determined by transportation facilities, underpass clearances, state laws on trailer sizes, etc., between factory and job site.

In planning a building for laminated wood construction the architect should contact fabricators as soon as possible.



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	USUAL	MAX	USUAL	MAX		
ngth	45'	80' (110' has been done)	50' (box car) 60' (gondola)	120'	No limitations except size of ship and ac- cess to ship-	
/idth	8'	8'	9'-8"	6'-8"	ping piers by fabricator and by building	
ight	12'-6"	14'-0"	9'-8" (box) 12'-6"	14'-6"	contractor (site location)	

Note "Usual" dimensions require no permits; "maximum" dimensions require special truck permits or approved routings by railroad.



St. Francis Hospital, Trenton, N. J. The new \$3,000,000 8-story addition, shown at left, is now under construction. Architects and Engineers: Schmidt, Garden & Erikson, Chicago. Heating Contractor: Wm. F. Hindley Co., Trenton. Operation of St. Francis Hospital is under the direction of the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis.

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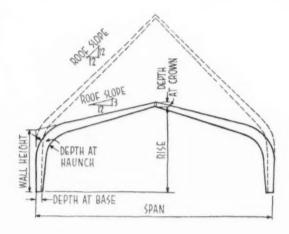


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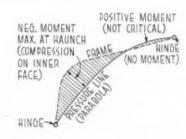
STRUCTURAL FORMS-9: Long Spans in Wood

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THREE-HINGED RIGID FRAMES



Note: Two-hinged rigid frames (as described in TSS sheets on rigid frames in steel, December 1951) are impractical in wood. Fabrication and transportation usually require frame to be made in two parts. A crown connection to take the midspan moment of a two-hinged frame is impractical in wood.

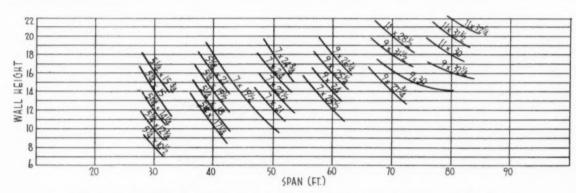


TYPICAL MOMENT CURVE

Three-Hinged Frame

Uniform loading across entire span (half span only shown)

Note differences between this curve and pressure line for two-hinged frame (Fig 2, Sheet 2, Rigid Frames in Steel)



For vertical load of 1000 lbs/lin ft of span—no wind load (wind load may require heavier sections) and roof slope of 3 in 12 (steeper roof slopes require smaller sections down to about 85 per cent of depth for 12 in 12 slope)

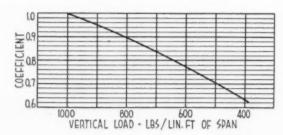
Notes: Based on f = 2600; ε = 2000 lbs/sq in.

For preliminary approximation of depth at base use: 0.4 \times (span in feet)" -4"

For depth at crown use: 0.1 imes (span in feet)" + 4"

DIAGRAM OF FRAME SECTIONS AT HAUNCH (Width" x Depth")

(For Preliminary approximation only)



Multiply depth of section by coefficient for other loadings. (Width remains as shown on frame section diagram)

Width Given (b ₁)	Width Wanted (b ₂)	Multiply Depth By = $\sqrt{b_1/b_2}$
31/4 in.	51/4 in	0.787
5 1/4 in.	31/4 in.	1.272
5 1/4 in.	7 ft.	0.866
7 in.	5 1/4 in.	1.155
7 in.	9 in.	0.882
9 in.	7 in.	1.134
9 in.	11 in.	0.904
11 in.	9 in.	1.106

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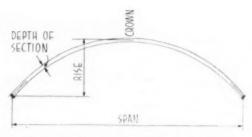
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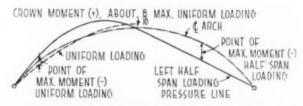
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TWO-HINGED SEGMENTAL ARCH

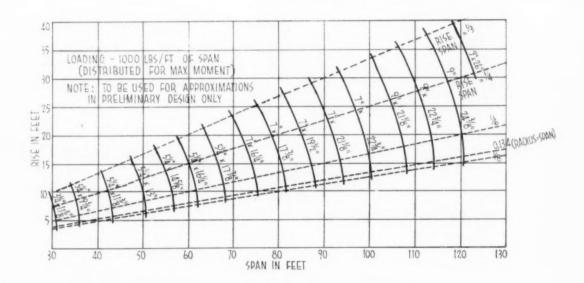


Three-hinged arch similar, with joint at crown



TYPICAL BENDING MOMENT CURVES FOR TWO-HINGED ARCH

Notes: Although the pressure line apparently passes through the centerline at the croicn, it may be actually slightly below, indicating some negative moment at this point. For a three-hinged arch, of course, the pressure line for this and all loadings must pass through the centerline of the arch at the crown.



TYPICAL SECTIONS—TWO-HINGED SEGMENTAL ARCHES

Based on f=2600 lbs/sq in.; c=2000 lbs/sq in. For other loadings, multiply depth of section by coefficient from diagram To vary width of section, multiply depth by coefficient from diagram For preliminary approximations, use this diagram for three-hinged arches also

)	RADIUS=				
	SPAN E	$\times \frac{\text{SPAN}}{\text{RISE}}$	$+\frac{1}{2}\times$	RISE SPAN	

FOR RISE/SPAN	SPAN X Coeff Below = Radius	NOTES
3/6	1.0625	
0.134	1.00	This ratio commonly used for stock arches
1/7	0.946	
1/6	0.833	This ratio commonly used for stock arche
1/5	0.725	
1/4	0.625	
1/3	0.542	

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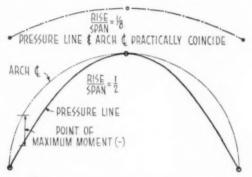
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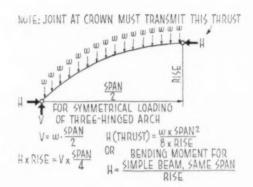
TYPICAL BENDING MOMENT CURVES FOR UNIFORM LOADING, THREE-HINGED ARCHES

(For half span loading, see sketch on sheet 10 of two-hinged arch)



Note that as $\frac{rise}{span}$ ratio increases, the shape of the arch becomes more important. In designing for high $\frac{rise}{span}$ ratios more care should be given

to make arch centerline correspond to actual pressure lines. Glued laminated wood can be used easily for any shape of arch. (Constant sections are usually cheaper than variable sections)

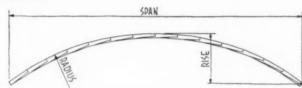


THRUST OF THREE-HINGED ARCH

This method can also be used safely for calculating the approximate thrusts of two-hinged arches, which are slightly less

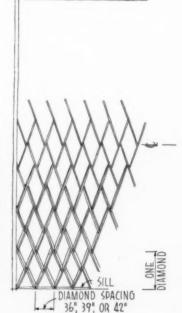
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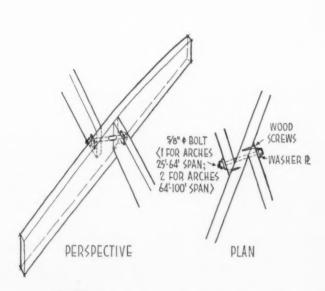




SECTION

Note that this is essentially a two-hinged arch; thrust must be taken by buttresses or tie rods

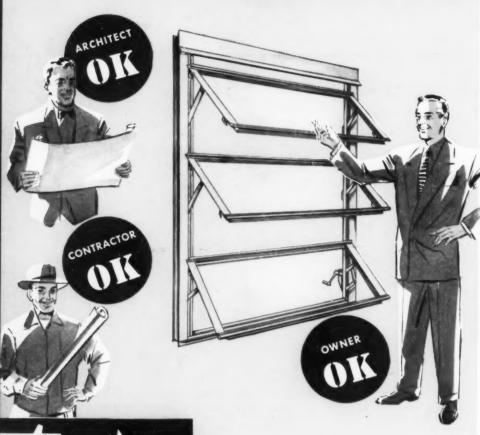




JOINT DETAIL

Note shape of lamella. Curvature is obtained by cutting upper edge only. Bolt size is minimum. Nails can replace wood screws

Edge support at ends of arch is essential: this may be an end arch, designed to take sidewise thrust (as shown), an end arch with rafters, or a broached lamella arch (with axis at right angles and diagonal ribs at intersection). Tie rods may be used parallel to center line with lighter end arches





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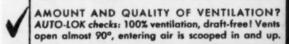
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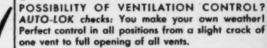
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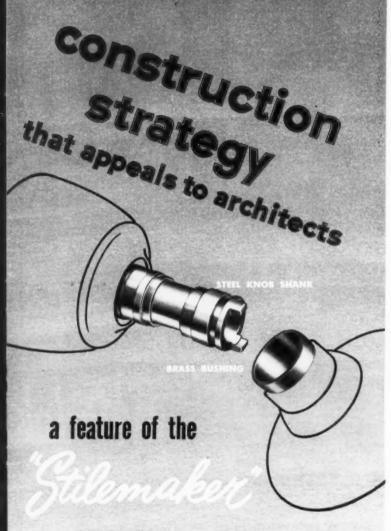
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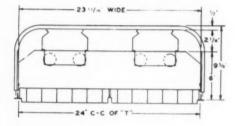
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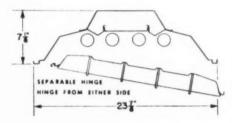
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surface in a choice of several colors. At present it is available only in the 24 by 24 in. size. If desired, additional insulation such as the manufacturer's Aerocor blankets may be installed above the ceiling, eliminating the need for additional insulation above the roof deck and helping to reduce heating and air conditioning costs by concentrating all thermal insulation at the ceiling line.

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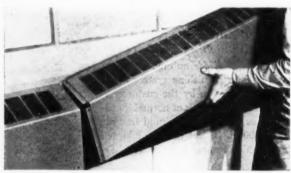
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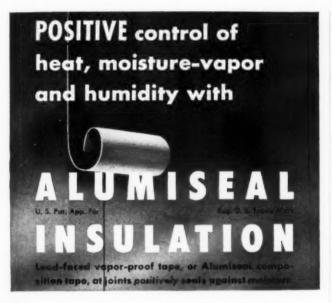


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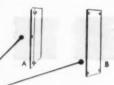


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Wall Coverings

Two new collections of custom print wallpapers have recently been introduced to the home furnishings market.

- The Schumacher Group, consisting of designs by Harry Paulsen, follows a trend to lighter backgrounds which will harmonize pleasantly with softer tones in fabrics. Most of the patterns have large repeats and incorporate a third dimensional effect. Among some of the available papers are those with an abstract appearance, scenic papers, impressionistic drawings, papers suitable for children's rooms and papers coordinated with fabrics. F. Schumacher & Co., 60 W. 40th St., New York 18, N. Y.
- The Katzenbach and Warren Group is composed of the designs of Ilonka Karasz, Zue Martin, James Reynolds and William Katzenbach and his staff. Each designer has interpreted his own feeling in his work, resulting in a varied collection—intended to enrich a surface, show spatial relationships, dramatically enhance a room and add textural interest. Katzenbach and Warren, Inc., 575 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y.

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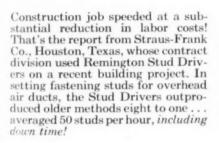
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Window Shades

Easily adjusted to any degree of light desired, a new Aluminum Lattishade has been specially designed for the windows in the Main Observation Lounge of the S. S. United States. Constructed of 5 s-in. aluminum slats, alternated with small aluminum rods, the shades are woven together with a decorative warp

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Vertical stripes add interesting effect to shade used on liner S. S. United States

design and are finished with an 11/16-in. aluminum bottom rail. The shades are mounted on springless metal rollers, are raised and lowered by matching cords, and are held in place by an aluminum knob on the side of the window. The painted finish is reported to be fireproof and impervious to the elements. This new type of window covering should be well-suited to hotels, dormitories, restaurants, schools, offices, showrooms. etc. The Columbia Mills, Inc., 101 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

Low-Cost Clay Tile

Robinson Terrace Tile, a vitrified clay tile suitable for both interior and exterior applications, is reported to be low in initial cost and both easy and inexpensive to install. The underside of each tile is grooved to grip mortar or soil, and the top is left unglazed to provide sure footing. The tiles come in natural fired clay colors which differ slightly in shade. Three sizes are available, 9 by 9 in., 9 by 12 in. and 9 by 18 in. Robinson Clay Froducts Co., Akron 9, Ohio.

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Prime Coat For Porous Masonry

Developed primarily for use with lightweight aggregate concrete block surfaces, Medusa Ruf-Seal cement paint reportedly fills pores and voids in porous masonry, makes it easier to apply succeeding finish coats and helps to prevent color variations caused by variable high degrees of porosity and absorption of such surfaces. The paint meets government specification TT-P21 Type II, Class B. It is mixed with water and can be applied with a scrub brush. For best results it should be cured with a fine fog spray of water. The product is packaged in 25 lb containers and is available only in white. Medusa Portland Cement Co., 1000 Midland Bldg., Cleveland 15. Ohio.

Colored Fluorescent Tubes Used in New Lighting Unit

Spectro-Lile, a new lighting unit which uses colored fluorescent tubes in a patented fixture, reportedly produces a light effect equivalent to daylight. Measuring 6000 K on the spectra meter, the same color temperature as natural daylight, the light is produced by blending the primary colors of the spectrum. The unit employs cove curvatures and patented reflecting surfaces to achieve this blending.

The manufacturer particularly recommends the unit as a light source in manufacturing plants, offices, schools, libraries, etc. John P. Filbert Co., Inc., 2007 South Vermont Ave., Los Angeles 7. Calif.

New Metal Used in Storm Doors

Rigid-Tex Metals are reported to produce a storm door which will not sag or warp and be practically impervious to fingerprints, scratches, dents and scuffs. Requiring no painting, polishing or maintenance of any kind, the metal needs only to be wiped occasionally with a damp cloth. Doors manufactured with this revolutionary metal may be fitted with interchangeable glass and screen panels. Rigidized Metals Corp. 685-P Ohio St., Buffalo 3, N. Y.

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How Pittsburgh Glass serves contemporary architecture





FOR THE VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING, Detroit, Michigan, Pittsburgh products were selected as a part of the basic design scheme. Included in these products are 6,589 square feet of Polished Plate Glass, 326 square feet of Mirrors, twenty-four Herculite Doors, Pittco De Luxe Metal. Illustrated here is the commodious and comfortable lounge, with its large expanse of Plate Glass giving a commanding view of the outside surroundings. Architects: Harley, Ellington and Day, Inc., Detroit, Michigan.

SOLEX-TWINDOW gives all the advantages of Pittsburgh's Twindow— "the window with built-in insulation" - plus the heat-absorbing, glare-reducing properties of Solex-"the best glass under the sun!" This cutaway shows the construction of such a unit. The outer pane is Solex—the inner light is clear Plate Glass. Between them is a sealed-in air space. A stainless steel frame protects the seal and glass edges; makes handling safe and easy.

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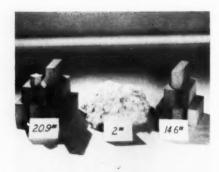
Your Sweet's Catalog File contains detailed information on all Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company products . . . Sections 7a, 13e, 15, 16b, 21.

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Manmade Ceramic Fiber Resists High Temperatures

Fibrefax ceramic fiber, a recent development from the Carborundum Company, is a vitreous aluminum silicate presently available in a fluffy, white mass made up of random arrangements of fine fibers. The new material resists temperatures sufficient to melt cast iron,



New ceramic fiber (center in photo) weighs only 2 lb per cu ft

and is reported to have a degree of fineness which permits its use as a superfilter or as a base for entirely new types of insulation and fireproof and electrical papers. It is also described as resilient, light-weight and resistant to corrosion by most chemicals. Raw materials of the product are aluminum oxide and sand, which are melted in an electric furnace and subjected to air blasts. No critical materials are required in production equipment.

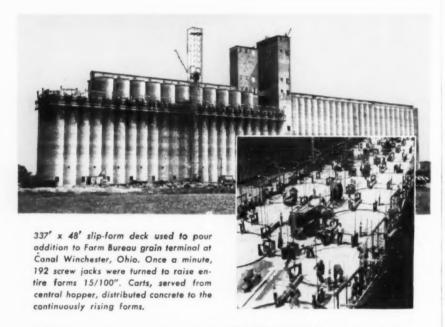
Actual and potential applications of the fiber cover a wide range, according to the manufacturer. At the present time, it is being employed as high-temperature insulation in combustion and exhaust systems of jet engines; it is being studied by the Office of Naval Research for use in highly specialized papers; it can replace or be combined with asbestos in many applications; it can be used for filtration and for thermal and acoustical insulation in panels.

Inertness of the fiber is reported to permit cleaning and re-use of the material without loss of filtering efficiency. At the present, the product is not available in spun, woven or filament form, although mixtures with other fibers permits carding and spinning. It is expected that other forms may be commercially practicable in the future. Carborundum Co., Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Rubber Membrane Sheeting Reinforced with Glass Fibers

Nerva-Clad, a roll sheeting for waterproofing and corrosion protection, is composed of a ply of woven glass fiber sandwiched between plies of synthetic rubber, and can reportedly be installed in a single operation. Unlike organic fibers, the glass fibers are not affected by mildew or moisture, and the synthetic rubber in which they are imbedded is said to provide an impermeable barrier. even under hydrostatic pressure. The rubber compound, according to the manufacturer, will not lose its impermeability either by becoming embrittled or cracked at freezing or by softening or melting under summer heat. It is further reported that the flexibility and resiliency of the material enables it to be wrapped easily and snugly around every contour of structural steel, concrete, masonry or piping. Since it is a complete membrane in itself, the sheeting can be applied "dry" directly on spandrels. It can also be placed in direct contact with steel beams. Rubber & Plastics Conpound Co., Inc., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York 20, N. Y.

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How to pour a 1,200,000 bushel basket — in one piece

By a continuous pour of 6,000 cu. yds. of ready-mixed concrete, into slip-forms raised on jackrods at the rate of .15" every minute, this elevator addition was completed in 168½ hours. The 24 bins, each 20' in diameter and 127' high, and interstitial walls, covering a 337' x 48' area, form one monolithic structure without joint or seam.

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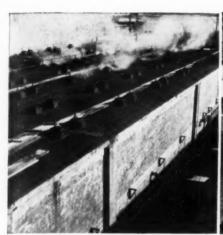
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Carpet-Joining Method

Utilizing a fabric and paper tape with built-in metal grips and a rubber-based adhesive, a new method of joining carpets is said to eliminate tacking and sewing. The carpet is seamed while lying face upward, and this reportedly facilitates pattern matching in figured carpeting.





Left: adhesive is applied to tape; right: two sections are fitted together with kicking tool

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Arch.: Miss Edla Muir, Los Angeles, Cal.

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CABOT'S STAIN WAX The 4-in. wide tape is placed on the floor at the point where the seam is to be made. After the adhesive is applied to the tape, one section of the carpet is laid over the tape to its mid-point. With a kicking tool, the second section of the carpet is fitted tightly against the first section. Pressure is then applied along the seam, causing the needle-like grips in the tape to penetrate the carpet backing. The carpet can be stretched into place 30 to 60 minutes after the seam has been made.

The tape is being marketed under the trade name, Kwik-Grip; the adhesive under the trade name, Rug Sealz. United States Rubber Co., Naugatuck Chemical Division, Naugatuck, Conn.

Slip-on Pipe Fittings

Made of corrosion-resistant aluminum alloy, Nu-Rail slip-on fittings eliminate threading or welding and reportedly save cutting pipe. Compared to threaded pipe and fittings, they are claimed to save as much as 80 per cent on labor and 30 per cent on overall cost, according to the manufacturer. There are five basic fittings plus a floor and wall flange and a drive fit and cap. These may be used individually or in combination and can be combined into almost every kind of fitting required. They fit standard pipe in sizes from 34 to 2 in. Each section of every fitting is reportedly locked with two knurled cup point vibration-proof hollow set screws which will not work loose. Load carrying ability is limited only by the pipe used, since there is no weakening resulting from threading. The fittings have been used in construction of all types of railings, pipe enclosures, racks, shelving, scaffolding and similar assemblies, and are said to have almost 100 per cent salvage value when used on temporary structures. Hollaender Mfg. Co., 3841 Spring Grove Ave., Cincinnati 23, Ohio.

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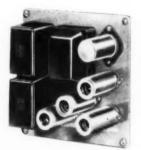
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New Furniture Line

Several new designs by Paul McCobb have been assembled to form the *Irwin* Collection. Including furniture for dining, living and bedrooms, the group consists of both upholstered and case pieces along with occasional tables, tables for dining, dining room chairs covered either in leather or fabrics and Set against background of gray and white, bedroom group has air of elegance and simplicity

many other items. Mr. McCobb has used mahogany exclusively and has introduced white vitrolite glass tops on several of his tables. A headboard sized to accommodate twin beds pushed together is available in polished brass combined with upholstery fabric, or in wood. An attractive breakfront is featured in the collection, done in brass and mahogany. Containing glass shelves, closed

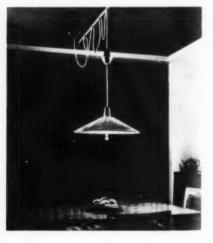


cupboard space and ample drawer space, it has been designed in two units—one to fit on top of the other. The distributer of the line is B. G. Mesberg National Sales, 201 E. 57th St., New York, N. Y. and the Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Ill.

Lighting Fixtures

Several new collections of lamp designs have recently made their appearance.

 Designs by Gerald Thurston and Gino Sarfatti include both floor and ceiling fixtures. Mr. Thurston's Traveler is a unique ceiling fixture which is not only



Traveling overhead fixture adjusts to various positions of dining room table

adjustable in height but also laterally mobile over the length of a traverse rod which is mounted on the ceiling. The shade is natural Finnish aspenslat with a mesh plastic diffuser to eliminate glare. Fixtures are polished brass with a natural finished wooden pull.

Mr. Sarfatti's floor lamps feature mobility and stylized design. Flying Saucer has three light sources mounted on a shaft, with a circular fluorescent bulb in one of the shades. Weeping Willow has (Continued on page 274)



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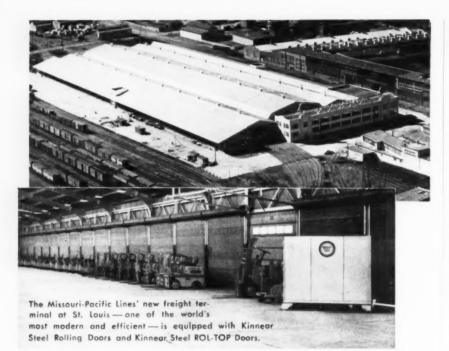
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three slim brass shafts tapering up from a flat white marble disc base. *Pendulum* has a white marble base, brass shaft and a white bucket shade. A pendulum hung on the cord moves the direction of the light to desired position. Lightolier, Inc., 11 E. 36th St., New York, N. Y.

- Glazed ceramic bases, ranging in shape from rough to smooth surfaced simplified urns, are used in the designs of Freda Diamond. Texture and color play an important role in creating a group of table lamps that fit in with almost any period. Mayan is a melon-shaped urn done in an avocado green with stone antique, topped with an off-white shade with a basket-like texture. Casbah has a brick base with sunken grooves of antiqued stone effect, topped by a hand painted light brown and white textured shade. Daison Mfg. Co., 1327 Fairmount Ave., Philadelphia 23, Pa.
- A collection of lamps from manufacturers across the country was recently exhibited by the Lamp and Shade Institute of America. Included in the showing were portable table lamps, floor lamps and pin-ups, most of the designs being predominently black and white. Several base materials were shown, such as wrought iron, china, leather, wood, glass, wire and ceramics. Shades included burlap, plastic, rattan and natural fibers. The Lamp and Shade Institute of America, 15 E. 26th St., New York 10, N. Y.

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Described as a new development in display lighting, the Neo-Ray Roto Strip is a complete compact and shallow unit with swivel sockets built in. Finger-tip adjustment is provided 90 deg in all directions, through a complete 360 deg circle. The lights are said to stay put at any angle.

The fixture is manufactured in stock lengths of 2, 3, 5 and 8 ft and may be variously combined for any desired overall length. Three series are available; for ordinary installations, for

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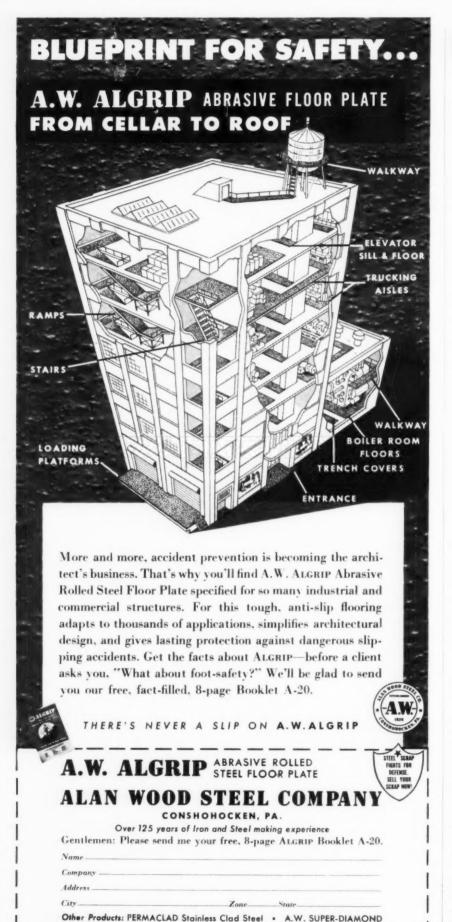


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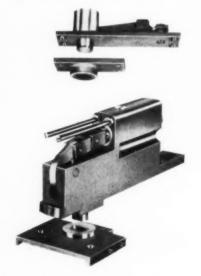
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corner mounting and for installations where light should be shielded. Low installation cost is said to be afforded, since a fixture with eight sockets takes no longer to install than a single ordinary socket. Neo-Ray Products, Inc., 315 E. 22nd St., New York 10, N. Y.

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tir Valve For Hot Water Systems

The Duorent, an air valve for hot water systems, can reportedly be shifted from manual to automatic venting with finger-tip regulation. The unit incor-



Two valves in one, the unit operates either manually or automatically

porates two valves in one. In manual venting, air escapes directly through a vent at the base. In automatic venting a hollow pin blocks this route, and air escapes up through the pin and out through ports in the upper portion of the valve. After air has been vented, the ports are closed by hygroscopic discs, which swell immediately when contacted by water. A twist of the top half of the valve changes it from manual to automatic. It can be reset in the same manner. Keeney Mfg. Co., Newington, Conn.

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The Taubman Black India, a ball point pen with an India ink cartridge, is reported to afford new convenience to architects, draftsmen and artists by eliminating the need for pen dipping. The instrument has an elongated tip to facilitate its use with a ruler and is said to be smearproof, fadeproof and quickdrying. It also will not corrode, according to the manufacturer. Refills are available. Samuel Taubman & Co., 1 W. 34th St., New York 1, N. Y.

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Low Brightness Classroom Lighting

Practicality of low brightness lighting for classrooms was the subject of research conducted recently by the Mitchell Manufacturing Company in conjunction with architects and school administrators for the recently completed Sheboygan Christian School, Sheboygan, Wis.

Comparative cost estimates were drawn up for alternate lighting schemes employing conventional 40 w semi-direct louvered units, 75 w slimline semi-direct louvered units and 40 w low brightness semi-direct unshielded units. On the basis of comparative totals, it was estimated that in a school of 20 classrooms, low brightness fixture installations would cost about \$1300 less than the manufacturer's conventional units.

Besides the economic consideration. other factors are cited for the desirability of low brightness lighting in schools. Among these are: maximum illumination without the more intense brightness contrasts of other high light output sources; no reflected glare from shiny surfaces located directly below fixtures; installation perpendicular to windows, providing more even illumination in area of front chalk board; elimination of disadvantages of louvered fixtures, such as deterioration and no cessity for frequent cleaning. Mitchell Manufacturing Co., 2525 N. Claybour St., Chicago 14, Ill.

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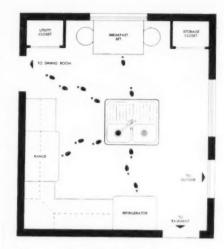
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Kitchen Sink Designed For Center-of-Room Installation

The Midway, a new sink developed by American-Standard, is designed for installation in the center of the kitchen instead at the conventional wall location. The sink is intended to save steps for the housewife and make her kitchen chores easier. In addition, it is said to allow almost unlimited freedom in kitchen planning and layout. Before the new sink was marketed, it was tried out in several test installations, and the manufacturer reports that the tests were successful.

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Above centrally-located sink is accessible from all sides; below sink top also serves as convenient work surface



lery, bowls, utensils and staple groceries on the other side. Shelves on the inside of the doors hold condiments and soap, and the cabinet has two built-in electrical outlets for appliances. The top has two full-size sink wells and an 816 sq in. drainboard. A specially designed faucet set in the center can be easily reached from any point around the sink and has twin lever handles which can be operated with one hand. A flexible spray attachment reaches to any part of the sink. Drains are controlled by dials on the side of the sink, and a dial can also be used to control a disposer. American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corp., Pittsburgh

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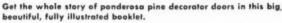
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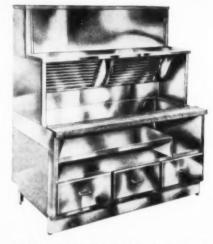
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Space-Saving Grill Stands

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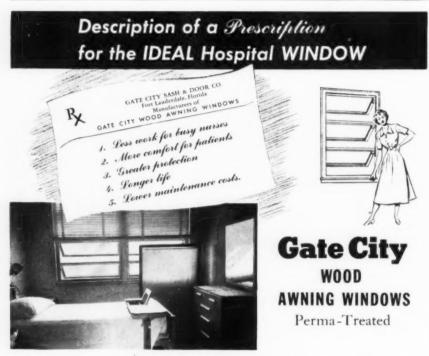
Stainless steel grill stand is available in 5 ft and 6 ft 6 in. lengths

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Housing Research Construction Aids

(1) Plumbing Fixture Arrangement, Construction Aid 1; (2) Roof Gutters, Construction Aid 2; (3) House and Site United, Construction Aid 3. These three pamphlets are the first in a series published by the Division of Housing Research of the Housing and Home Finance Agency, and are intended to serve as guides for specific phases of planning. design and construction where conservation of critical materials can be effected. They include both time-tested and new ideas. Recommendations are illustrated and accompanied by specifications. Some of the recommendations are based upon research conducted by HHFA. 18 pp., 11 pp., 27 pp., all illus. Price: Nos. 1 and 3, 15 cents; No. 2, 10 cents. Available from Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Govt. Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

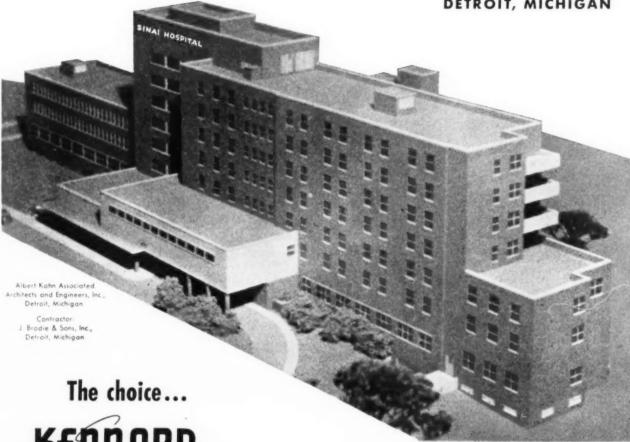
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Symposium on Structural Sandwich Constructions. Technical bulletin is comprised of eight papers and discussions presented at the 1951 annual meeting of the American Society for Testing Materials. Included in the bulletin are numerous charts and graphs and photographs. Detailed drawings point out examples of application in large buildings, houses, aircraft, etc. The booklet is bound in heavy paper covering. 120 pp., illus. \$2.00. American Society for Testing Materials, 1916 Race St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.

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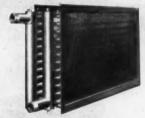
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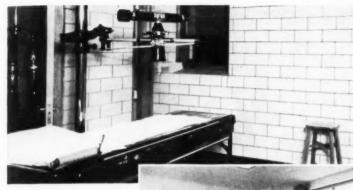
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How to Make the Most of Daylight. Booklet contains a collection of folders and surveys together with reprints of previously published technical articles. Illustrating how schools may be efficiently daylighted with glass blocks, folders include photographs, detailed drawings, plot and floor plans of school buildings and other illumination data. Variations of the Vision-Lighting Plan indicate average brightness from north. south and west elevations for morning. midday and afternoon conditions. Reprints in the booklet include, "How to Compute Illumination Distribution," "A Simple Daylighting Survey Technique," "The Little Glass Schoolhouse," "Glass Block Fenestration and the Interflection Method," and "Daylight Illumination on Interiors Fenestrated with Glass Blocks." 60 pp., illus. Pittsburgh Corning Corp., 307 Fourth Ave.. Pittsburgh 22, Pa.*

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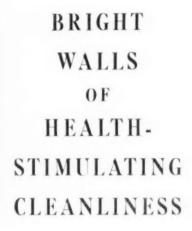




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Metal Trims for Building

Chromedge Mouldings and Metal Trims (Catalog no. 153). A comprehensive catalog of extruded aluminum alloy and rolled metal retaining shapes for use with all types of floor and wall coverings and other special applications. Apart from the general type-description index on page one, there is a visual index of types on the last pages of the catalog. Application illustrations are included throughout the book, and there are several photographs of actual applications. 65 pp., illus. Inquiries should be addressed to Gen'l Sales Mgr., The B & T Metals Co., Columbus 16, Ohio.*

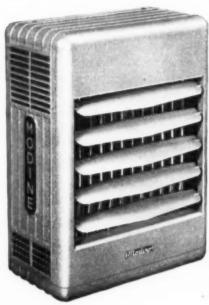
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Timber for Recreational Buildings. Booklet shows several different designs that can be achieved by the use of three systems of timber construction: Teco connector, glued laminated and Lamella. Liberally illustrated with examples of wood construction in recreational buildings, the booklet also includes a complete list of roof truss fabricators. 24 pp., illus. Timber Engineering Company, 1319 Eighteenth St., N. W., Washington 6, D. C.

Steel Windows and Doors

Truscon Steel Windows and Doors. 1952 Catalog. Divided into three main sections - steel window products, residential doors and industrial doors the catalog is profusely illustrated with section and installation details, sizes, types and examples of the manufacturer's products in actual use. Main types of windows outlined in the catalog are double-hung, residential casements, intermediate, maxim-air, intermediate louver, Donovan, detention, architectural projected, commercial projected, pivoted, security, screens, continuous and utility windows. Specifications are included for all types of windows and doors. 112 pp., illus. Truscon Steel Co., 1300 Albert St., Youngstown 1, Ohio.

Plumbing Fixtures

Briggs Beautyware. New catalog shows complete line of bathroom and kitchen plumbing fixtures, with full color illustrations of each. Lavatory models are described fully, giving sizes, etc., and all available colors for each unit are given. A section of the catalog is devoted to interior decorating schemes for bathroom and kitchen and a convenient color chart is included with suggestions for best color combinations. 30 pp., illus. Briggs Mfg. Co., 3001 Miller Ave., Detroit 11, Mich.

Plywoods with Matching Doors

Rendezvous Room . . . Malarkey House. The sixth of a series of booklets by the manufacturer on "easy living" plans, this latest one deals with party and guest rooms. Plans for built-ins and other articles of furniture, floor plans and complete bills of materials are presented. Information on the manufacturer's newest plywood is also included. 8 pp., illus. M and M Wood Working Co., 2301 N. Columbia Blvd., Portland 17, Ore.

Furniture Line

The Herman Miller Price List. Booklet divides furniture groups into 14 categories, giving description, dimensions, available finishes and price of each item, along with line drawn illustrations. Measuring 8½ by 11-in., the catalog fits conveniently into a file drawer and is cardboard covered. An explanatory preface provides a detailed key to symbols and diagrams and gives prices for special finishes and extras. 40 pp., illus. The Herman Miller Furniture Co., Zeeland, Mich.

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Kitchen Equipment

Be a Queen Every Day with Beauty Queen. Illustrated booklet describes various models of cabinet sinks, which include both superior and standard models. A complete line of wall and base cabinets is also shown, and tables for sizes are given. Illustrations are numbered according to model to facilitate ordering. 12 pp., illus. Beauty Queen Div., Noma Electric Corp., Maumee, Ohio.

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The Best Way to Ventilate a Kitchen." Brochure describes both the manufacturer's and "Provincial" models of kitchen ventilating hoods, giving specifications for each. Two types of blower units are also shown and five check points for proper ventilation are included. Roughing-in details indicate dimensions for front, top and side views, and three planning steps for cabinet, vent and electrical are given. 4 pp., illus. Stanthony Corp., 6900 San Fernando Rd., Glendale I, Calif.*

Synthetic Materials

This is du Pont — Man-Made Fibers. Booklet traces the rise of industry, reporting on the development of five new fibers. Shows the sharp impact of chemical fibers on America's living patterns. Chief sources of all synthetic and natural fibers are given, illustrating with photographs the whole textile history. Shows the various surroundings in which the fibers can be used. 32 pp., illus. E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington, Del.*

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Specifications for Vermiculite Concrete Floors. Booklet contains data on vermiculite-sand concrete as a fill over structural floors; as a floor slab over supports on relatively close spacing; and as a slab laid on the ground. Specifications are also included for vermiculite concrete floors on ground (with or without radiant heating units), topped with sand concrete. Details of framework and reinforcing are pointed out by drawings. 12 pp., illus. Vermiculite Institute, 208 S. LaSalle St., Chicago 4, Ill.

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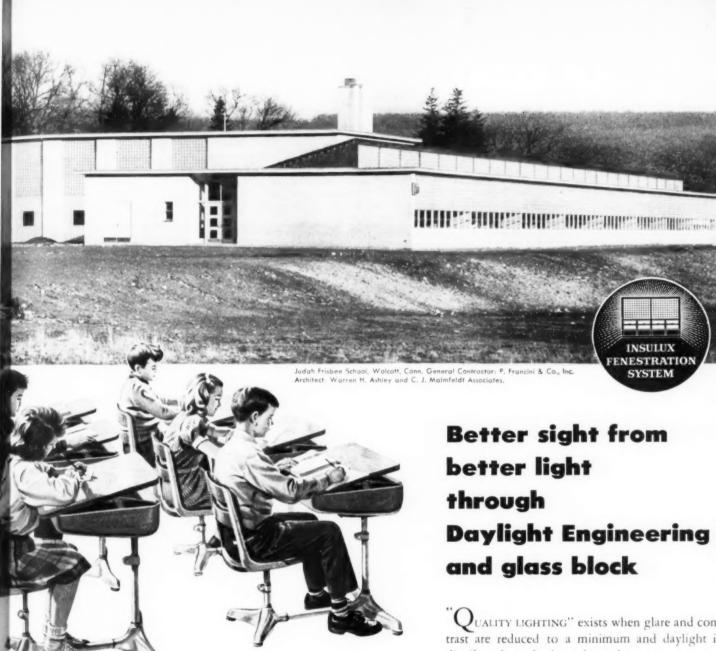
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HOW TO GET RID OF IT: CURRENT DEBATE ON CMP

As supplies of once-critical materials continued to improve, and the National Production Authority announced it planned substantial relaxation of building curbs "for April 1," the questions about the end of the Controlled Materials Plan became mostly procedural the timing and tactics of the "orderly

retreat" officials have long said would be their goal.

For architects planning projects that won't reach the construction stage before next summer the headaches are probably over now; in spite of official caution, indications are that CMP will not be operative, except perhaps in "standby" form, beyond the first half of next year.

The building industry has been protesting strongly at the NPA announcement of April 1 as the date for the next major easing of curbs; what the industry wants is total removal at a much earlier date. The October 26 session of NPA's Construction Industry Advisory Committee can be expected to provide a forum for these views - and it could produce a revision in NPA plans.

Better Supplies Acknowledged

Some recent government announcements are providing fuel for industry arguments.

The eighth in the series of the Defense Production Administration's "List of Basic Materials and Alternates" for the first time since the Korean emergency began removed aluminum and copper from the group of materials in short supply and placed it among those "in approximate balance with defense and essential civilian demand."

The new chief of the Office of Defense Mobilization, familiar as DPA-NPA Administrator Henry H. Fowler, has admitted he was overly pessimistic about the effects of the steel strike; the steel industry has made an incredible comeback

A Federal Reserve Board survey revealed stocks of most building materials, including fabricated metal products, were not far below postwar record levels.

Time for Liquidation?

The appointment of Mr. Fowler to the ODM post resigned last spring by Charles Wilson was interpreted in some quarters as indicating the Administration now considers the mobilization program is in the "liquidation" stage.

Mr. Fowler, who resigned the NPA post but continues as DPA administrator, has stated frequently that enough materials are now available or coming into production to enable defense production goals to be raised without hurting the civilian economy. Mr. Fowler is a lawyer, not a production man, another reason for guessing his selection may presage the passing of the era of rigid curbs. He himself said in his last press conference as NPA chief that controls may end next year; that emphasis will now be, not on industrial expansion and rigid materials controls but on seeing that defense production itself gets into high gear.

Revisions of building regulations in late August effective immediately elimi-

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nated NPA Order M-100, controlling materials for housing, and incorporated M-100 provisions into CMP Regulation Six. Another change authorized owners to use inventory on hand before Oct. 1, 1951.

NEW N.E.A. SURVEY SHOWS SCHOOL NEEDS PILE UP

In spite of the large volume of recent and current school building, the gap between available classroom space and the space needed to meet continuing increased enrollments is nowhere near closed, according to a new survey just completed by the National Education Association.

N.E.A., which will publish the survey results in full in the October issue of its *Besearch Bullelin*, reports 47 per cent of the 1270 school systems queried have had to postpone projects which would accommodate a total of 343,000 pupils because of shortages of funds or materials or both.

In another 162 school systems, projects for 115,315 pupils have been halted by the same factors.

As the 1952–53 school year opened, enrollments mounted again; 81.8 per cent of the communities responding reported increases.

N.E.A. believes that the problem of finance ranks almost on a par with materials shortages as a deterrent to new construction. Nearly all school systems reporting showed increases in current expenditures, many in capital outlays. Administrators said all levels of government have had some part in supporting increased expenditures; but in most cases extra funds have come through state aid rather than from Federal or local sources.

Replies to the N.E.A. questionnaire came from 14 of the 18 school systems in cities over 500,000 population; 67 of the 90 systems in cities 100,000 to 500,000; 213 of 320 systems in cities 30,000 to 100,000; and 349 of 965 systems in cities 1,000 to 30,000.

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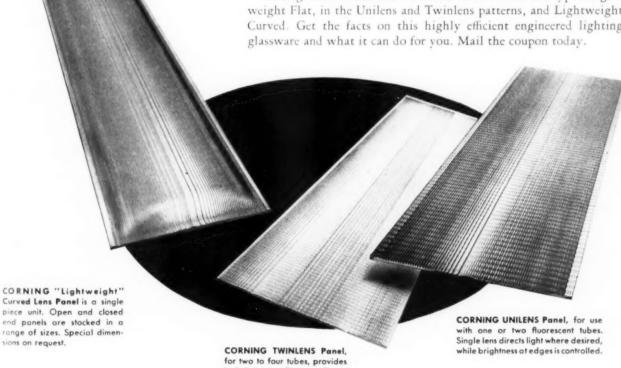
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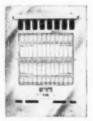
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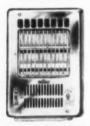


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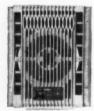
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6500-acre site in Pike County, Ohio, as announced by the Atomic Energy Commission, brought the total of AEC installations to five and total funds committed to AEC construction since 1913 over the \$6 billion mark.

AEC said the various phases of design and architectural work for the Pike County plant will be handled by "concerns that include at present" Union Carbide and Carbon Corporation, New York City; Giffels and Vallet, Inc., Detroit; Sargent and Lundy, Chicago; Singmaster and Breyer, New York City; Smith, Hinchman and Grylls, Inc., Detroit; Burns and McDonnell, Kansas City, Mo.; and Holabird and Root and Burgee, Chicago, Peter Kiewit Sors' Company, Cmaha, Neb., is the principal construction contractor.

Locations had been studied for many months before funds became available in the appropriations bill passed at the end of the last session of Congress. The potential availability of power at reasonable cost in quantities required for the plant and availability of water were described as important factors in selection of the site.

Although, in line with the policy of the past two years at new installations there will be no AEC-built and operated community, AEC will provide housing accommodations for single construction workers; the Housing and Home Finance Agency will take over the job of supplying shelter for workers with families and will also program for private construction whatever permanent housing is needed for AEC operating personnel. HHFA is now making preliminary surveys.

Peak construction employment is estimated at 28,000; operating staff at 4000. Completion is expected to take four years, but portions of the plant will be placed in operation as soon as they are finished.

SALARY STABILIZERS FREE ARCHITECTS — AS DEFINED

An interpretation of the Defense Production Act 1952 amendments exempting from salary stabilization "certain professional architects" has been issued by the Office of Salary Stabilization.

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According to Interpretation No. 14, a professional architect is "one who is licensed or registered to practice as a professional architect in any state, territory or possession of the United States or in the District of Columbia."

Exemption from salary stabilization applies only to professional architects "employed in a professional capacity" as defined (believe it or not) in Regulations, Part 541, issued by the Administrator of the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions pursuant to provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended.

Copies of the interpretation are available from OSS, Federal Security Building South, Washington, D. C.

PALEY REPORT CALLS FOR CONSERVATION OF COPPER

45 Per Cent Increase in Demand Predicted By 1975

As copper left the current "critical" list, the President's Materials Policy (Paley) Commission issued a five-volume report (Architectural Record, August 1952, page 18) that put it right back for some future year — 1975, for instance. In that year, the report estimates, a half million more tons than in 1950 may be required to meet demand.

This estimate of a 45 per cent increase over 1950 consumption takes into account expected substitution of aluminum and other materials for copper in many uses. Building construction accounted for 10 per cent of total copper construction in 1950.

The report plumps for vigorous concentration on increasing copper output from all possible sources. Even this, on a worldwide basis, would not assure meeting the anticipated need, the Commission says; a technology of substitution is required.

The Commission suggests that a widespread substitution of aluminum for copper or brass is practicable because of the basic similarity in the properties of the two metals: both are good electrical and heat conductors, are easily machined and worked, and are resistant to

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atmospheric corrosion. It is added that recent advances in aluminum welding technology promise to increase the use of aluminum still farther in applications previously reserved to copper and brass. Other substitutions mentioned: cast



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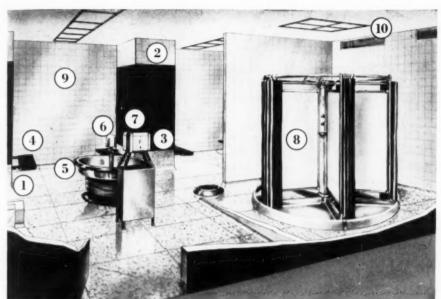
ADDENDA

· President Truman has ordered four Federal agencies to carry out immediately the recommendations made in the recent report of his commission on airport safety. The agencies - Department of Defense, Department of Commerce, the Post Office Department and the Civil Aeronautics Board - were asked to consult with state and local governments and interested industry groups in the process of implementing the recommendations.

The report (Architectural Record. July 1952, page 38) contained numerous recommendations on airport construction and design as well as zoning around airports.

• The Regional Plan Association of New York reported results of a 12month survey showed that five out of every six plants built in the New York area between 1946 and 1951 were erected beyond the limits of the major industrial districts existing at the close of World War II. The trend to decentralization was attributed to the desire for more space, economy of operation. decreased vulnerability in case of enemy air attack and the prospect of "more predictable" tax levies.

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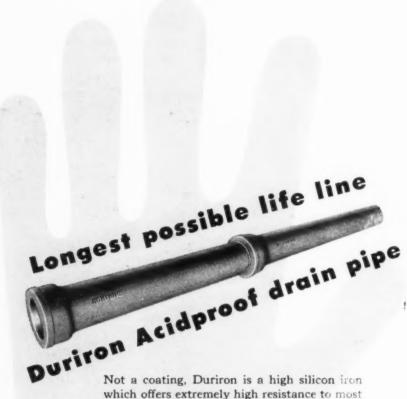
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volume of the industry will establish a
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• To coordinate Defense Production Administration activities in the field of post-attack industry rehabilitation and industrial dispersion. a Post-Attack Production Staff has been set up in DPA's Office of Construction and Resources Expansion. William Jay Hoff will head the staff as assistant deputy administrator of OCRE.

The program will include: development of plans by government and industry for rebuilding industry after enemy attack; development of plans for industry operation during the rebuilding period; and implementation by government and industry of such parts of these plans as can be carried out prior to attack—including industrial dispersion.

- The Federal National Mortgage Association resumed the purchase of eligible FHA-insured and VA-guaranteed mortgages on nondefense and nondisaster housing as of September 2. FNMA purchases on this type of housing had been discontinued last April 2 except for mortgages offered prior to that date.
- More than 900 school districts throughout the United States have applied for Federal funds to help provide minimum school facilities in communities adjacent to defense plants and military areas, the Office of Education announced last month. In the first two months after \$195 million in funds appropriated by the last session of Congress became available, \$117 million had been allocated.

. The Veterans Administration has immediate vacancies for engineers in Washington, D. C., and throughout the country. No experience is required, but a college degree in civil, general, mechanical or construction engineering is essential. Beginning salary is \$3410 a year. Applications should be addressed to the Department Personnel Officer, Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C.



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Oct. 3-5: Meeting, Northwest Regional Council, American Institute of Architects — Davenport Hotel, Spakane, Wash.

Oct. 9-11: Regional Convention, Central States District, American Institute of Architects; theme, "Esthetic Evaluation of the Art of Architecture" — Kansas City.

Oct. 9-11: Joint Convention, California Council of Architects and Sierra

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Nevada District, American Institute of Architects — Yosemite National Park, Calif.

Oct. 10: Third Annual Noise Abatement Symposium — Armour Research Foundation, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago.

Oct. 11: 20th Century Sculpture, large retrospective exhibition of 50 years of







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Oct. 14–17: 1952 Annual Conference, National Association of Housing Officials — Hotel Statler, Buffalo.

Oct. 19-25: VIII Congreso Panamericano de Arquitectos — Mexico City.

Oct. 20–24: 40th National Safety Congress and Exposition, sponsored by the National Safety Council — Chicago.

Oct. 22-Nov. 30: Olivetti, an exhibition on the Olivetti Company of Italy illustrating this firm's integration of modern design in their products, advertising, architecture and equipment. Photographs, models and actual objects—Museum of Modern Art, 11 W. 53rd St., New York City.

Oct. 23-Nov. 26: Design in Industry, an educational exhibition intended to review the industrial design experience of the Institute and ten major American companies — The Institute of Contemporary Art, 16 Newbury Street, Boston.

Oct. 24-25: Regional Conference, Gulf States District, American Institute of Architects — Montgomery, Ala.

Oct. 26–28: Semiannual Meeting, Board of Directors, American Institute of Architects — Grand Hotel, Port Clear, Ala.

Oct. 29-31: Annual Convention, Tex is Society of Architects — El Paso, Tex

Nov. 9-Dec. 7: 17th Ceramic National Exhibition, sponsored jointly by Syracuse Museum of Fine Arts, Onandaga Pottery Company of Syracuse and Ferro Corporation of Cleveland — Syra-

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Nov. 13–15: Convention, Florida Association of Architects — Tallahassee, Fla.

Nov. 18-20: Correlation Conference on "Housing and Building in Hot-Humid and Hot-Dry Climates," sponsored by Building Research Advisory Board — Washington, D. C.

Nov. 19: 34th Annual Meeting, American Standards Association — Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City.

Dec. 1-6, 20th National Exposition of Power and Mechanical Engineering— Grand Central Palace, New York 17, N. Y.

Dec. 5-Jan. 25: National Competitive Exhibition, American Drawings, Watercolors and Prints 1952 — Metropolitan Museum of Art, Fifth Avenue at 82nd Street, New York 28, N. Y.

Dec. 17-Feb. 15: De Stijl, a large exhibition of painting, sculpture, architectural models and designs and furnishings executed by the members of the movement which began in Holland in 1917 — Museum of Modern Art, 11 W. 53rd St., New York City.

OFFICE NOTES

Offices Opened

- Herman Fernau has opened an office at 438 Roseland Drive, West Palm Beach, Fla., for the practice of architecture and interior design.
- Victor Gruen, A.I.A., has opened New York offices at 31 West 12th Street.
- Harley H. Johnson has announced the opening of his new office for the practice of architecture, which will be located temporarily in his home at 4600 Glenwood Avenue, Minneapolis 5, Minn.
- Carroll S. Rankin, Architect, has opened a new office at 314½ South Ashland Avenue, Lexington, Ky.
- Lloyd Ashley Rasmussen, A.I.A., has announced the opening of his new offices (Continued on page 354)





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in his own building, 1636 Bush Street, San Francisco.

 Henry A. Rippelmeyer, A.I.A., has opened an office for the practice of architecture at 943 Harden Street, Columbia 5, S. C.

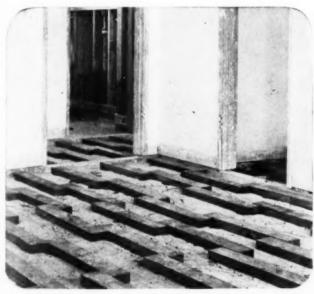
New Firms, Firm Changes

- The firms of Clemmer & Horton, Architects, and Deitz A. Rudisill, Engineer, have been merged into a partnership to practice architecture and engineering under the firm name of Clemmer, Horton, Rudisill and Associates, Architects and Engineers, Hickory, N. C.
- The firm name of Coolidge Shepley Bulfinch & Abbott has been changed to Shepley Bulfinch Richardson & Abbott
 Henry R. Shepley, Francis V. Bulfinch, Joseph P. Richardson and Lewis P. Abbott. Offices of the firm will continue at 122 Ames Building, Boston.
- Peter Copeland and Adolph Novak, Architects, have announced the formation of a new firm to be called Copeland, Novak and Associates, which will combine the organizations they formerly headed as individual practitioners. Lawrence J. Israel, who has been associated with Mr. Copeland for six years, is also a partner in the firm. Offices are at 42 East 51st Street, New York 22, N. Y.
- W. W. Keenan has been named administrative assistant to the president of the Leo A. Daly Company, Architects and Engineers. The announcement was made in Omaha by Leo A. Daly Jr.. head of the firm, which also has offices in St. Louis and Seattle.
- Howe & Foster, Architects, have announced that J. Rowland Snyder has joined their partnership for the practice of architecture under the firm name of Howe, Foster & Snyder, with offices at 1636 Connecticut Avenue, Washington 9, D. C.
- Three former associates in Magney Tusler and Setter, Minneapolis architects and engineers, have been made (Continued on page 358)

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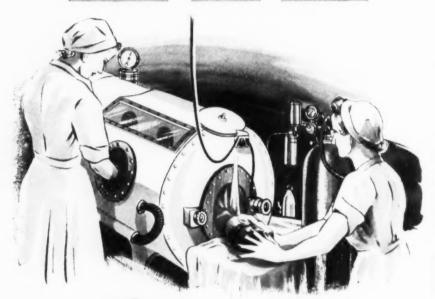


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partners in the firm - Stowell D. Leach, John Lindstrom and John R. Magney. The firm name will not change.

- · St. John & Platt, Consulting Engineers, announce the admission to partnership of Raymond C. Carlson, P.E., as resident in charge of a new office which has been opened in Buffalo, at 627 Genessee Building. The firm will continue to engage in the practice of consulting engineering under the firm name of St. John, Platt & Carlson, with the Binghamton, N. Y., office remaining at 212 Kresge Building.
- · Donald J. Stewart, Vancouver, Wash... and K. E. Richardson, Portland, Ore., have announced the formation of a partnership to be known as Stewart & Richardson, Architects, with offices in Vancouver at 222 Central Building and in Portland at 219 Southwest Stark

New Addresses

The following new addresses have been announced:

O. Kline Fulmer, Architect, 3 Ober Rd., Princeton, N. J.

Roy S. Johnson, Architect, 48 Quarropas St., White Plains, N. Y.

Eugene D. Sternberg, Architect, 2431 East Third Ave., Denver, Colo.

Theodore J. S. Tillack, Architect, 173 Wilson Ave., Paramus, N. J.

ELECTIONS APPOINTMENTS

 Clifford F. Rassweiler of Johns-Manville Corporation has been appointed by the National Research Council as chairman of the Building Research Advisory Board, succeeding Frederick L. Hovde. president of Purdue University.

In other BRAB appointments, Douglas E. Parsons of the National Bureau of Standards has been appointed chairman of the Executive Committee and Harold M. Sylvester has succeeded Reginald W. Holt as director of field service.

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Chairs

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Crown Furniture Co. Skylike provides an easily-maintained, high-level incandescent lighting system for the Crown Furniture Company's new Detroit store. 100 foot candles were required to overcome the daylight pouring in both glasswalled ends of the showroom, yet individual area intensities may be modified for special effects by simply changing lamp sizes. Floor-level relamping with pole-type changers offers maintenance savings by eliminating the use of ladders or disturbing the floor displays.

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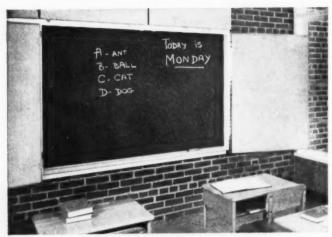
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• Howard Robertson has been elected president of the Council of the Royal Institute of British Architects for the session of 1952–53. Past presidents are Harry Stuart Goodhart-Rendel and Michael Theodore Waterhouse.

Members of the Council are: Frederick Gibberd, Basil Spence, Charles Hebert Aslin, Prof. Sir Leslie Patrick Abercrombie (1950 A.I.A. Gold Medalist), Robert Joseph Gardner-Medwin, Leonard Cecil Hewitt.

Associate members named: Donald Evelyn Edward Gibson, Stirrat Andrew Johnson-Marshall and Richard Alfred Hardwick Livett.

- Joseph T. Lyons has been named director of the Chicago, Ill., office of the Federal Housing Administration. Mr. Lyons, assistant director in Chicago since 1948, has been acting director since the death in May of Edward J. Kelly.
- Col. Hubert S, Miller has been assigned as Army Corps of Engineers
 district engineer at Omaha, Neb., replacing Col. Henry J. Hoeffer, who will
 become commanding officer of the 354th
 Engineer Combat Group, Fort Lewis,
 Wash.

WITH THE A.I.A.

- Note for statisticians: attendance at the 1952 A.I.A. Convention June 23-27 in New York as officially compiled: 1063 members and delegates; 609 guests; 35 associates; 177 student associates; 82 members of the press. The total is 1966.
- Speakers at the Central States Regional Convention in Kansas City October 9–11 will include Edward D. Stone, Charles Eames, Bruce Goff and Emil Frei. The theme: "Esthetic Evaluation of the Art of Architecture."
- Dissolution of the Missouri state chapter of the American Institute of Architects to meet a quirk of the state registration law has been followed by formation of the independent Missouri State Associa-

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tion of Registered Architects. Harold A. Casey, A.I.A., of Springfield, Mo., has emphasized that the new organization is in no sense a rival of the A.I.A. "It is the purpose of the Missouri State Association of Registered Architects," Mr. Casey explains, "to promote the registration of all qualified architects, to support the registration law, and generally to promote better relations with public officials and the public generally throughout the state."

- A.I.A. President Glenn L. Stanton of Portland and Alden B. Dow, Midland, Mich., will be among the speakers at the California State Council of Architects Convention and the A.I.A. Sierra Nevada Regional Conference October 9–11 in Yosemite National Park, Calif. Another speaker will be Bert Stewart Jr., field secretary of the National Automobile Club.
- The New York State Association of Architects is making good use of an invitation to submit exhibits of school buildings completed or under construction for the annual convention of the New York State Association of School Boards October 26–28 at Syracuse. The Public Relations Committee of the Association is preparing as "a central and special" feature of the exhibit a panel setting forth the details of the professional service performed by the architect in a school building program.

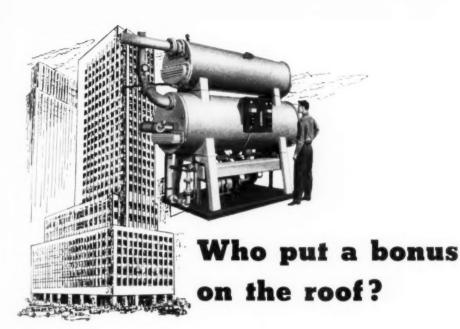
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• Winners of the 10 \$1000 scholarships in civil engineering awarded in the third annual scholarship program of the American Institute of Steel Construction have been announced.

Winners were selected from a group of 80 high school seniors nominated by 46 steel fabricating companies in the nationwide contest. A scholarship winner may attend any one of 125 accredited colleges in the country offering a degree in civil engineering.

The winners, and their sponsors, are: Mark Cohen, New York City — Grand

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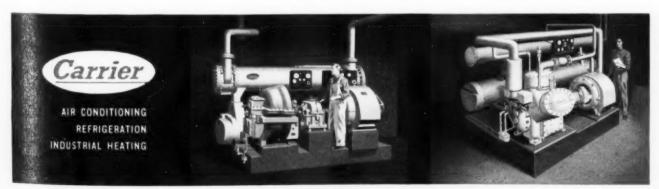
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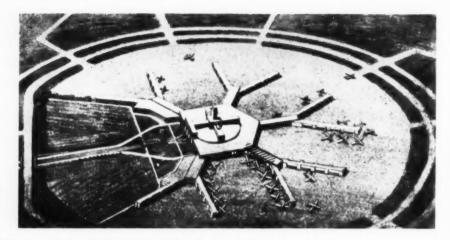


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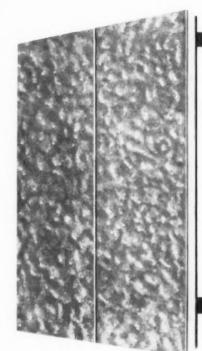
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 The 1952 Annual Building Awards of the Queens Chamber of Commerce are offered to owners, architects and builders of new buildings in the Borough of Queens, New York City, in a competition which closes October 27.

Buildings substantially completed from Nov. 1, 1951 to Oct. 24, 1952 are eligible. Awards will be presented at the annual dinner of the Queens Chamber of Commerce December 2. Details are available from Building Awards Committee, Chamber of Commerce of the Borough of Queens, 24-16 Bridge Plaza South, Long Island City.

The award program, inaugurated by the Queens Chamber in 1926, is designed to encourage "excellence in design and construction" of new buildings in Queens in eleven different classifications.

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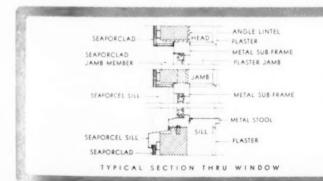
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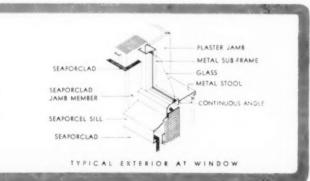
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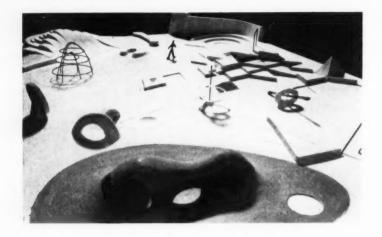
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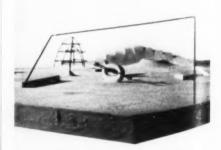
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jected by New York Park Commissioner Robert Moses, who also serves as liaison agent between the city and the world organization. Mr. Moses urged instead that the type of playground which has been more or less standard in New York be built on the site. After debate and consideration, the U.N. agreed to the Moses proposal.

Following the rejection of the Whittlesey-Noguchi scheme, and partly as a result of the interest stirred up by the dispute, plans and a model for the project were exhibited at the Museum of Modern Art. The Museum exhibited the scheme as a "particularly striking illustration of the possibilities of stimulating the child's sense of space and form through a playground designed as architectural sculpture." It further described the playground as "the most creative and imaginative play area idea yet devised." Since then, the material has been exhibited at "Creative Playthings" in New York City and at the National Recreation Congress in Seattle. It has also been requested for exhibit at still other places, and the sponsoring group which proposed it for the U.N. site is now hopeful that it may be built elsewhere.

Voicing the hope that the scheme would be given such a trial, New York's Herald-Tribune, in an editorial published at the time of the Museum's exhibit, warmly endorsed the imaginativeness of the project and further commented "indeed we would ourselves like to be among those who try it."



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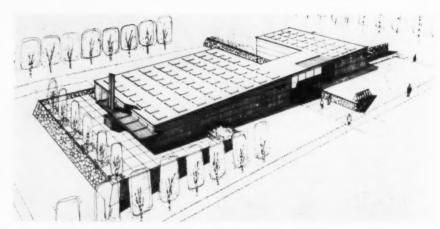
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LEBRUN AWARD IS GIVEN TO ST. LOUIS ENTRY

The 1952 LeBrun Traveling Scholarship, awarded annually by the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects on the basis of a nationwide competition, has been won by Robert E. Entzeroth of St. Louis, Mo.



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Robert N. Chappelle of Philadelphia was chosen as the alternate winner. The award carries a stipend of \$2800 to be used for at least six months' travel and study in Europe.

This year's problem was the design of a public library with complete facilities for a town of 30,000 inhabitants. The competition was judged by a committee headed by J. Bruno Basil, himself a former LeBrun scholar. Other members of the jury included Leopold Arnaud, Robert L. Carson, Randolph Evans, Maurice R. Salo, Thorne Sherwood, Francis St. John and Francis Keally.

In his announcement of the winning entry, Mr. Basil commented: "Mr. Entzeroth's design presented a solution that was imaginative, workable and extremely attractive, despite the difficult problem of a sloping site. His plan included the following striking features: glass entry to the building which formed a dramatic approach to ramps and stairs; top lighting of reading rooms by plastic bubbles for even and shadowless reading conditions; large glass walls from the reading rooms leading to quiet walled gardens: location of lecture and exhibit hall on a lower level adjacent to the parking area, to permit day or evening use without conflict of connection with the rest of the building; and solid wall along the street for privacy and insulation against noise and distraction.'

The alternate design was commended for "solving the problem in an attractive manner resulting in a pleasant suburban structure of informal and appropriate design."

Mr. Entzeroth is an honors graduate of Washington University and was also first-prize winner of the 1951 St. Louis Area Home Design Competition. He is the 25th winner of the scholarship, first awarded in 1912.

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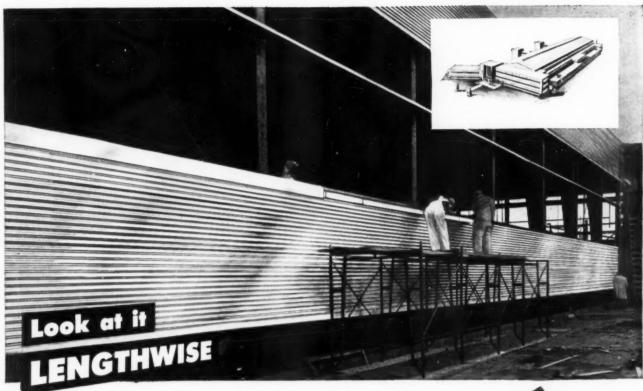
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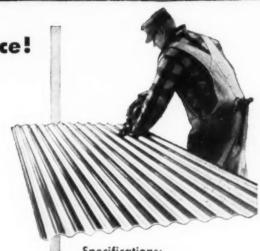
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General furnishings, furniture, carpets and ceramics were designed by the architect, who also painted large murals for the interior. Walls and ceilings are painted in various shades of tempera colors, including white, gray, cobalt blue and red. Supporting elements are also painted red.

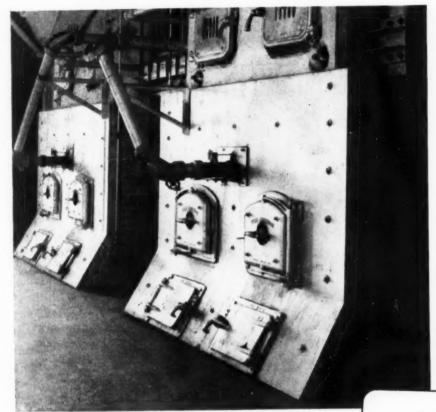
Inside staircases are of marble, with railings of black iron tubing. All outside sash and fittings are of non-corrosive materials. The main entrance door and all inside doors are of natural chestnut boards. Floors are of oak boards and ceramic mosaics.



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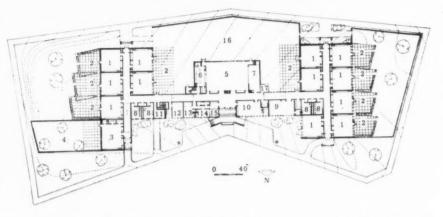
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NEW SCHOOL PLANNED FOR INDOOR-OUTDOOR CLASSES

Cranston, R. I., School First In Extensive Program

The first structure has been completed in a multi-million-dollar school building program now under way in the city of Cranston, R. I. Known as the Eden





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Park School, the structure was designed by Creer, Kent, Mather, Cruise & Aldrich, architects. It will accommodate between 450 and 500 pupils from kindergarten to sixth grade.

Twelve classrooms are provided in addition to the kindergarten and each opens on an outdoor area which may be used either for instruction or recreation. The kindergarten has its own enclosed play yard and also features specially designed, scaled-down equipment. Each of the classrooms has a drinking fountain, wash basin, clothes closet and storage facilities. The lower and upper grades occupy separate wings, and offices and services are concentrated in the central portion of the building.

Corridors are provided with steel gates, recessed in the ceilings, which can be used to close off the classrooms when the building is used for community functions. The exterior is of stone, brick and glass bloc.

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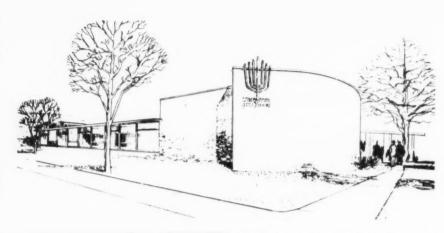


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PARK FOREST SYNAGOGUE PLANNED FOR EXPANSION

Community's Fifth Religious Building to Cost \$90,000

Plans for the construction of a temple which is to cost in the neighborhood of \$90,000 have been announced by officials of Congregation Beth Sholom of the



Sketch shows proposed Park Forest Synagogue, planned for later expansion Classroom wing is at left

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new planned town, Park Forest, Ill. (Architectural Record, May 1951, pp. 93-110).

Designed by Loebl, Schlossman & Bennett, architects and planners of Park Forest, the building will be the community's fifth religious structure. Others include the St. Iranaeus Roman Catholic school and rectory, Trinity Lutheran Church, United Protestant religious education building, and — now under construction — the Episcopalian Church of the Holy Family.

Provisions for Future Growth

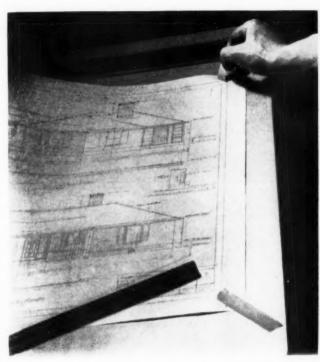
Discussing the plans for the new synagogue, Architect Richard Bennett has pointed out that the building's design "recognizes a modest beginning planned for inevitable growth," and in this respect offers a solution to the typical problems of a growing community.

The building's classroom wing can be extended northward, and in the future a foyer is to be added which will connect the classroom wing to a large social room and sanctuary, at the same time creating a forecourt and an enclosed garden.

Planning for the building in its initial stages is likewise flexible. Folding partitions will enable classrooms for religious instruction to be thrown open into the space reserved for religious meetings, extending the seating capacity of the latter to 350.

The classroom section will be of frame construction and will be walled with glass. One classroom will double as a kitchen and another as an office. The chapel will have walls of stone, and the memorial Menorah will serve as a lighting fixture in addition to its symbolic function.

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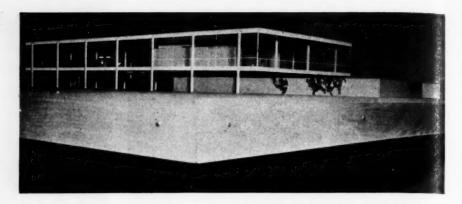
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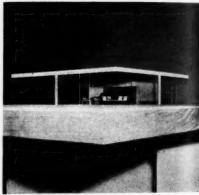
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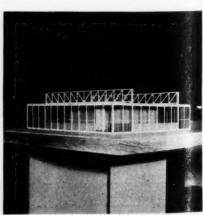
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Student and faculty work at Illinois Institute of Technology: above, model for an "open-plan" country club designed by David Haid, graduate student in architecture; below, model of "an entirely new kind of residential structure" designed by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, director of architecture, "emphasizes a structural principle which has complete internal flexibility. The residence has no walls, no built-in partitions, and consequently living quarters can be rearranged according to specific needs"



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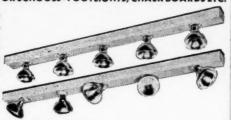
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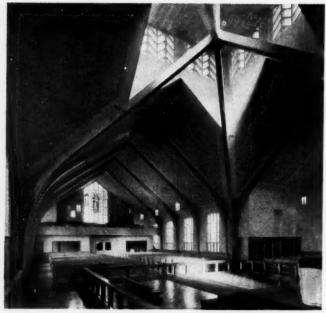


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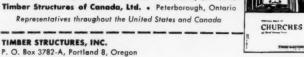
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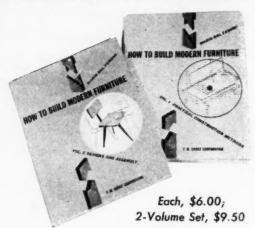
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Thomas L. Hansen of the faculty of Washington State College, Pullman, Wash., has been named to head the department.



Thomas L. Hansen, head of the University of Colorado's new department of architecture and architectural engineering

Mr. Hansen, who has an M. Sc. in planning and housing as well as several degrees in architecture, was from 1942-1944 senior project planner for the Federal Public Housing Administration at Seattle. Otherwise he has been teaching in colleges and universities since 1934 just prior to his Washington State College appointment, as head of the department of architecture and architectural engineering at North Dakota Agricultural College.

Washington Combines Rule of Architecture and Fine Arts

Kenneth E. Hudson, dean of the Washington University School of Fine Arts since 1938, has been named to the new administrative post of dean of the Schools of Architecture and Fine Arts.

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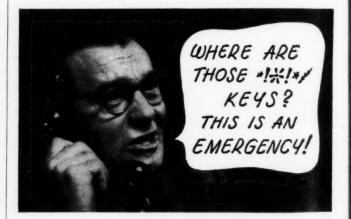
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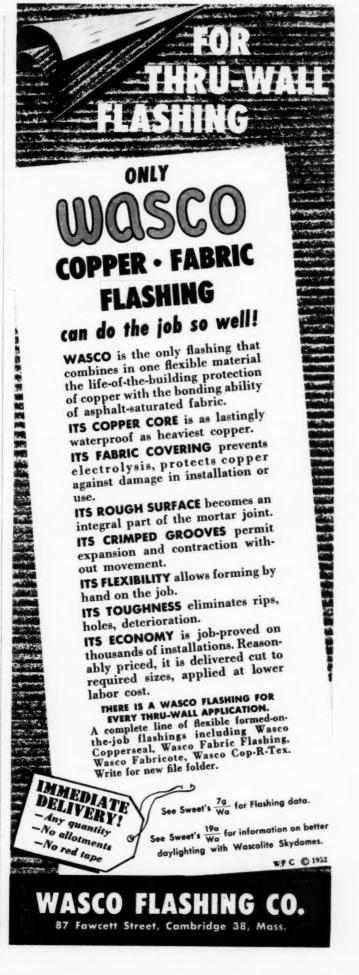
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Awards Announced

• Claes Johan Anders Mellin, Johannesplan 1, Stockholm, Sweden, has been awarded the *Hastings Graduate Fellow*ship in Architecture at the University of Illinois for 1952–53. First alternate is Francisco Jose Morales de los Rios de Castro, Lisbon, Portugal; second alternate, Man-Ball Leung, Hong Kong, China.

The Hastings is a new fellowship for architectural graduates with two or more years of practice in a foreign country. It carries a stipend of \$2500 for graduate study at Illinois.

• Two Cornell University undergraduate engineers, Paul J. Wisniewski and David A. Thomas, won first prize of \$200 in the 1951–52 A. F. Davis Undergraduate Welding Awards for their paper "Metal Transfer in Arc Welding," which appeared in the April 1952 issue of *The Cornell Engineer*.

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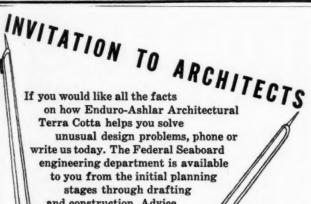
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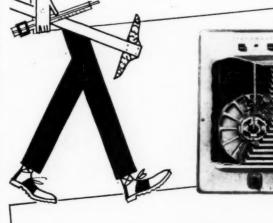
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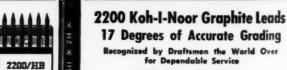
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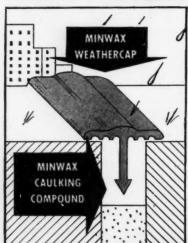
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• The Segy Gallery, at 708 Lexington Avenue, New York City, has assembled a comprehensive loan exhibition of African sculpture, its unique specialty. A leaflet on the exhibition is available from

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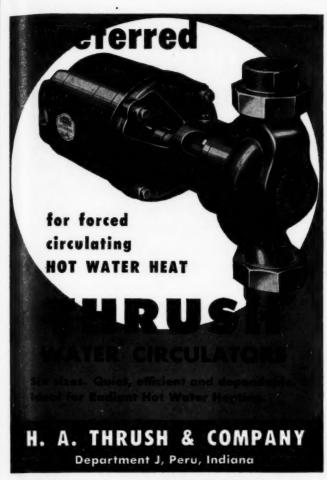
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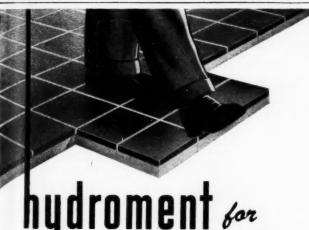
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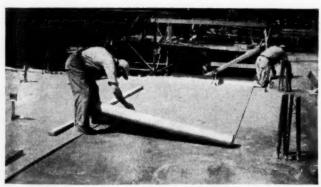
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COMPETITIONS

• A number of fellowships for 1953-54 will be awarded by the American Academy in Rome for work in architecture, landscape architecture, sculpture, history of art and classical studies. Architectural fellowships will carry \$1250 a year, plus living and travel costs, and will begin on October 1, 1953.

Applications must be submitted by January 1, 1953. Information is available from the Executive Secretary, American Academy in Rome, 101 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

· Crane Company of Chicago has announced an architectural competition "dedicated to ideas for bathrooms, kitchens and utility rooms," with prizes of \$3000 for four first awards, \$1500 for four second awards, \$750 for four third awards and 40 awards of \$100 each. The competition, which has been approved by the Committee on Competitions of the American Institute of Architects, is open to architects, designers, draftsmen and students.

All entries must be in by December 15. Contest rules and further information can be obtained from the Crane Company, 836 South Michigan Ave., Chicago 5, Ill.

OBITUARY

C. HOWARD CRANE, Detroit and London architect who had designed more than 200 theaters in this country, died August 14 at his home in London. He was 67.

Mr. Crane began the practice of architecture in Detroit and maintained an office there after he moved to London 20 years ago. Earl's Court of London, 118ft-high arena seating 30,000, was among the structures for which Mr. Crane was architect; it was built over a network of six railway lines without stopping a single train during construction.

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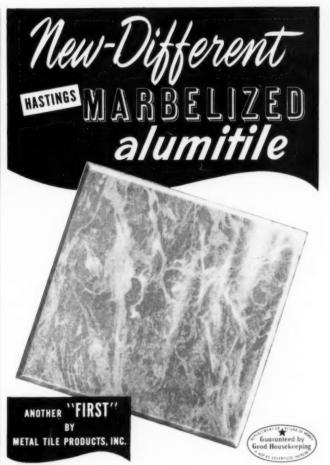
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Sayville, N. Y., died August 14. He was a member of the class of 1939 at Pratt Institute. The practice will be continued under the name of Carl B. Stoye, Architect, with offices at 22 Main Street, Sayville, N. Y.

Harrison Smith, 71, a partner in the New York engineering firm of Sanderson & Porter, died August 21 after several months' illness. Before the first World War Mr. Smith joined the staff of T. A. Gillespie, Boston, engaged in subway and drydock construction; during both first and second World Wars he did design and construction work on Federal ordnance plants. He became associated with Sanderson & Porter in 1919. He was a 1905 graduate in civil engineering of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

MARY WRIGHT, author and designer and wife of the industrial designer Russel Wright, died August 15 at her home in New York after a long illness. She was 47 years old. Mrs. Wright collaborated with her husband in designing informal modern table service, including his American Modern dinnerware. The Wrights were co-authors last year of "Easier Living," a book presenting their formula for present-day living in the home.

Bernard Karfiol, 66-year-old painter who was among the exhibitors in the revolutionary Armory Show in New York in 1913, died at his home in Irvington-on-Hudson, N. Y., August 16. Mr. Karfiol's work has been purchased by many of the country's leading museums and private collectors. His awards included the first William A. Clark prize of \$2000 and the Corcoran Gold Medal at the Corcoran Art Gallery, Washington, in 1928.

CORRECTION

The Record regrets that a caption for a news picture in a recent issue incorrectly described the George S. Rider Company as architects for the E. F. Hauserman Company's new building in Cuyahoga Heights, Cleveland. The George S. Rider Company are engineers.



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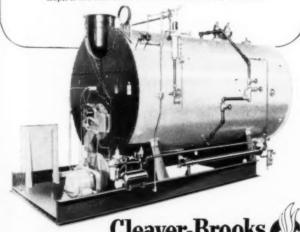
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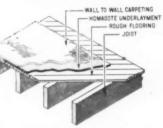


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(13, Queen Anne's Gate, London, S.W. 1, England). 1952. 5½ by 9 in. 266 pp., illus.

The architect has felt for a long time the need for better information to aid him in drawing mental pictures of how structures will act when subjected to different kinds of loads. He wants to be able to sense the proportions required for a particular material as used in various structural forms, when he is doing his preliminary planning, without having to go through laborious calculations. There are many good books on structural design, but this one takes a new approach - factual, but without long and involved theoretical discussions. Neither does it attempt to examine all the factors involved in the choice of structure for particular types of buildings. It is intended more as an introduction to structural design and is directed mainly to students and architects. The authors say that "Until the student achieves the ability to 'feel' how forces act and react in the support of buildings, he cannot hope to apprehend and put into practice the sculptural and volumetric conceptions which form the basis of great architecture."

The collaborative efforts of an architect and an engineer in doing this book, and the fact that both of them teach as well as practice have left a good mark on this book, which the reader may wish had been developed into a larger volume.

Imaginative engineers and architects have shown that material distributed in the most efficient way to resist stresses can save materials as well as result in stronger buildings. In the chapter, "Survey of Structural Forms," the authors present analogies which use structural forms taken from nature such as a turtle's shell. Parts of this chapter are based on some of the ideas of Fred Severud, New York City structural engineer, who has long used nature to explain the reason for structural shapes and forms.

In discussing "Procedure in Structural Design," the authors point out that the infinite number of possible combinations of structural forms present a bewildering problem of selection, and that the designer must be able to realize the limitations of each system and to visualize the type of building to which it may be applied most effectively.

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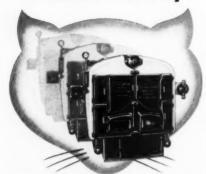








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Although the book deals with British standards and their practices in the utilization of materials and the selection of specific types of structures, this is not a serious limitation, since the reader can call to mind parallel examples in this country.

Forty-four pages of photographs at the end of the book show some of the more spectacular building structures in Europe and also in the United States. They do not serve as much to illustrate how structures perform, but rather as to what the imaginative architect and engineer can do.

PERRET'S MAXIMS ON ARCHITECTURE

Contribution A Une Theorie De L'Architecture. By Auguste Perret. Librairie des Alpes, Andre Wahl (6 rue de Seine, Paris 6e, France), 1952. 4\(\frac{1}{4}\) by 7\(\frac{1}{2}\) in. 60 pp.

In a few blank-verse-like phrases, Auguste Perret sums up his definitions and credo of architecture in this, his first book. Long famous for his maxims and for his "concise, emphatic and pithy conversation - in the manner of the old school," Perret has linked together some of his most famous remarks from speeches and lectures to express his beliefs. These include an avid preference for the frank use of reinforced concrete in construction, a resistance to the influence of "schools" and to pure "shock effect" in design, and a long-standing crusade for the integration of building skills with art. Until recent years, when he has been awarded the highest possible honors in architecture in Europe and the United States, Perret has been under constant criticism for acting both as builder and designer of his projects. This is reflected in his definition of architecture, "Architecture is the art of organizing space, it is by construction that it expresses itself. An architect is the constructor who satisfys the passing by the permanent."

The book, written in sonorous and elegant French, is concluded with the following—"He who, without betraying materials or modern programs, would produce a work which seemed to have always existed, who, in a word, would be banale, I say that he could consider himself satisfied."

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